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COVID VACCINE 90% EFFECTIVE IN PHASE 3 TRIALS, SAYS PFIZER

The US drugmaker said on Monday its vaccine candidate BNT162b2 was found to be more than 90% effective in preventing Covid-19 in its first interim efficacy analysis, which looked at 94 infections in nearly 44,000 volunteers

EFFECTIVE 7 DAYS AFTER SECOND DOSE

Protection in patients was achieved seven days after the second of two doses, and 28 days after the first. "We are a significant step closer to providing a much-needed breakthrough to help bring an end to this global health crisis," Pfizer Chairman and CEO Albert Bourla said. Pfizer said it doesn't plan to stop its study until it records 164 infections among all the volunteers —a number that experts agree is enough to tell how well the vaccine is working. The company cautioned that the effectiveness rate may change as the study progresses

WHAT U.S. RULES SAY

According to the US Food and Drug Administration regulations, any vaccine candidate must be at least 50% effective to secure its approval

PLANS TO FILE EMERGENCY USE APPLICATION

- Pfizer said it will file an emergency use application with the US regulators this month. Along with BioNTech, it plans to make enough shots to cover 15-20 million people by the end of 2020
- However, more clarity is needed on how long its effects last, and if it protects the elderly as well as younger people
- The Phase 3 trials began in July, and of the 43,538 participants enrolled, 38,955 have received a second dose as of Sunday
- Pfizer and BioNTech said they expect to supply up to 50 million vaccine doses globally in 2020, and up to 1.3 billion in 2021 | P16

4.4%

JUMP IN DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE ON MONDAY SOON AFTER PFIZER'S ANNOUNCEMENT. THE BROADER S&P500 ROSE 3.0 PER CENT TO 3,615.71, BEATING ITS SEPTEMBER 2 CLOSING RECORD

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The locked JD(U) headquarters (L) on Bir Chand Patel Marg in Patna and some activity outside and within the RJD's office on the same stretch on Monday | RANJIT K DEY

RJD buoyant as decision day dawns

Locked gates at JD(U) and BJP offices indicate the mood ahead of vote counting today

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @Patna

IF activity in the offices of political parties is anything to go by, then the Rashtriya Janata Dal should breast the tape when the votes for the Bihar elections are counted on Tuesday.

"*Munna aao, kal ladoo milega tum ko bhi* (Munna come, you will also get ladoo tomorrow)," a party worker could be heard telling a daily-wage labourer at the RJD head office located on Bir Chand Patel Marg.

At gate number 2 of the office, sundry persons are engaged in conversations ranging from the SUVs next to them to the exit polls projecting an advantage for the RJD. Inside, a group of party workers appear upbeat.

"Our party president Jagdanand Singh had come on Sunday for a while. Other senior leaders are either taking rest or camping in their constituencies," said Narendra Rai, an RJD worker.

Party spokesperson Chitranjan Gagan said, "If the exit poll predictions come true, the RJD-led alliance will form the government. You can see the (election) results on the faces of NDA leaders, all of them are despondent."

A stone's throw away on the same road is the Janata Dal (United) and the Bharatiya Janata Party offices. The gates are locked and neither is there any party worker nor any *neta* (leader). There has hardly been any activity since voting ended on November 7, the gate keepers said.

"*Abhi kyon aaynge? Sab apne chhetra mein hain, jeet nischit hai* (Why should they come now? All are camping in their constituencies till counting and victory is certain," said a man exiting the JD(U) office, a clutch of papers in hand. Ramesh Kumar, a tea-seller next to the BJP office, said after the exit polls projected a not-so positive result, no senior leader had visited the office.

While the RJD could be more optimistic, it is not reflected in the *ladoo* barometer. Sweet shop owners near the party offices had not received any order for ladoos till evening. P10

Vivek co-chairs Biden's Covid team

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

IN one of the first decisions taken by Joe Biden, Indian-American Vivek Murthy was on Monday named one of the three co-chairs of a 13-member Covid-19 Advisory Board that will help the President-elect deal with the coronavirus pandemic raging across the US.

The other two co-chairs are David Kessler, a former Food and Drug Administration commissioner, and Marcella Nunez-Smith, a professor at Yale University. Dr Murthy served as the 19th Surgeon General of the US from 2014 to 2017. The virus has already killed over 236,000 Americans.

Interestingly, the board includes Rick Bright, a former Trump administration whistleblower who was demoted for internally criticising the pandemic response. He had also contested Trump's championing of hydroxychloroquine, a malaria drug, as Covid treatment despite its unproven efficacy. Bright subsequently resigned and filed a whistleblower complaint saying his early warnings over the pandemic were ignored.

Trump is under pressure to work on the transfer of power, but the General Services Administration, that is meant to begin the transition, has not started the process yet.

Border deadlock may be new normal: Expert

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

The border row has not de-escalated despite several rounds of talks | PTI

THE deadlock between India and China in eastern Ladakh continues, with the eighth round of talks between senior military commanders from both sides failing to achieve any breakthrough. The more than six-month-long standoff between the two giant Asian neighbours "could be the new normal," according to well-known author, historian and Tibetologist Claude Arpi.

In an exclusive interview with *The New Indian Express*, Arpi said that he does not see any thawing of the deadlock "till at least the end of the winter, if not beyond that. It may be a permanent (perhaps on a smaller scale). A new normal. It is difficult for Xi Jinping to publicly lose face and go back to the April position."

"The most pressing issue for India is to hold its position in Ladakh and not go for any type of compromise," he added.

Arpi warned about China's hidden agenda behind the development of around 200 Xiaokangs (moderately well off villages), most of which are located all along the Indian border from Rutok in Ngari Prefecture in the West to Rima (opposite Kibithu) in the Lohit valley in the East.

"Since May this year, we have understood that China wants to stabilise and control its borders with India, to have a safe base for its military operations. The development of these strategic villages is a crucial way to govern the borders and has serious implications for India's defence," he pointed out.

Arpi also spoke about the "definitive plans" of the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) on the "15th Dalai Lama to be re-born in China. "Beijing is planning to appropriate the reincarnation process," he added.

FULL INTERVIEW: P7

Cracker ban in Delhi, curbs in other cities

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@New Delhi

THE National Green Tribunal on Monday imposed a total ban on the sale and use of firecrackers in Delhi and the National Capital Region (NCR), where air quality has dipped to dangerously low levels, from November 9 midnight till November 30.

The ban has been imposed ahead of Diwali to prevent further rise in air pollution. The NGT said the ban will be applicable to all cities where the average ambient air quality in November last year was poor.

'Green' crackers will be allowed in cities with moderate air quality, but usage will be restricted to two hours, which will be decided the states. "If nothing is specified, the timing will be 8-10 pm on Diwali and Gurupurb, 6 am-8 am on Chhatt and 11.55 pm-12.30 am during Christmas and New Year's eve," the order reads.

For other areas with better air quality, the NGT made the cracker ban optional, but directed states to initiate special drives to contain air pollution in view of Covid-19.

Covid-19 test now must to attend college

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DEGREE and post-graduate students and their teachers opting for regular classes in their respective colleges from November 17 onwards will have to get a Covid-19 negative certificate. The students will also have to get a written consent from their parents for letting them attend classes in person.

These are some of the standard operating protocols (SOPs) released by the State Government on Monday in preparation for offline classes for degree and postgraduate courses. However, while colleges will now open their doors, the government has not restricted online classes, although those who opt for online classes will have contact classes for solving their doubts.

While masks are mandatory for all, the teaching faculty are advised to wear masks as well as face shields. Up to 50 per cent of students can be asked to come to classrooms per batch on a rotational basis decided by the colleges.

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ISRAEL, AUSTRALIA KEEN ON SPACE TIE-UPS WITH INDIA

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA
@Bengaluru

THE Bengaluru Tech Summit (BTS), although online this year, is witnessing an increased interest in space sector collaborations.

At least three of the global innovation alliance partner countries — Australia, Israel, and Sweden — have already expressed interest to collaborate on the space front, with the latter looking to participate in Shukrayaan-I, India's mission to Venus.

Consul General of Israel in Bengaluru, Jonathan Zadka, told The New Indian Express that collaborations at the BTS this year will be besides their regular engagements. "We are looking at collaborations in innovations in non-space technology that have space applications," he said. This includes Aleph Farms, a food tech startup and a global leader in the cultivated meat industry that has already cultivated steaks in 2019 for the International Space Station, using minimal resources.

Zadka said the Israel space agency had tasted success when they applied Aleph Farm's artificial food for space use. "It is sustainable for long space missions," he added.

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EXPRESS READ

Nearly 50% of state had Covid by Aug: Study

New Delhi: A private serosurvey conducted between mid-June and August has found that approximately 31.5 million of Karnataka's residents, translating to 46.7 per cent of the population, were infected with the novel coronavirus by August itself. P3

Son of ex-minister detained in drug case

Bengaluru: Former Karnataka minister Rudrappa Lamani's son, Darshan Lamani, has been 'detained' for allegedly harbouring two people wanted in connection with the procurement of drugs through 'darknet', police said. P5

No HC relief for Arnab, approaches lower court

Mumbai: The Bombay High Court on Monday declined to grant interim bail to Republic TV Editor-in-Chief Arnab Goswami and two others. Before the HC ruling, Goswami filed a bail application in the Alibaug sessions court. P10

FAMILY FIRST

Paternity break for Kohli, Rohit in Test squad

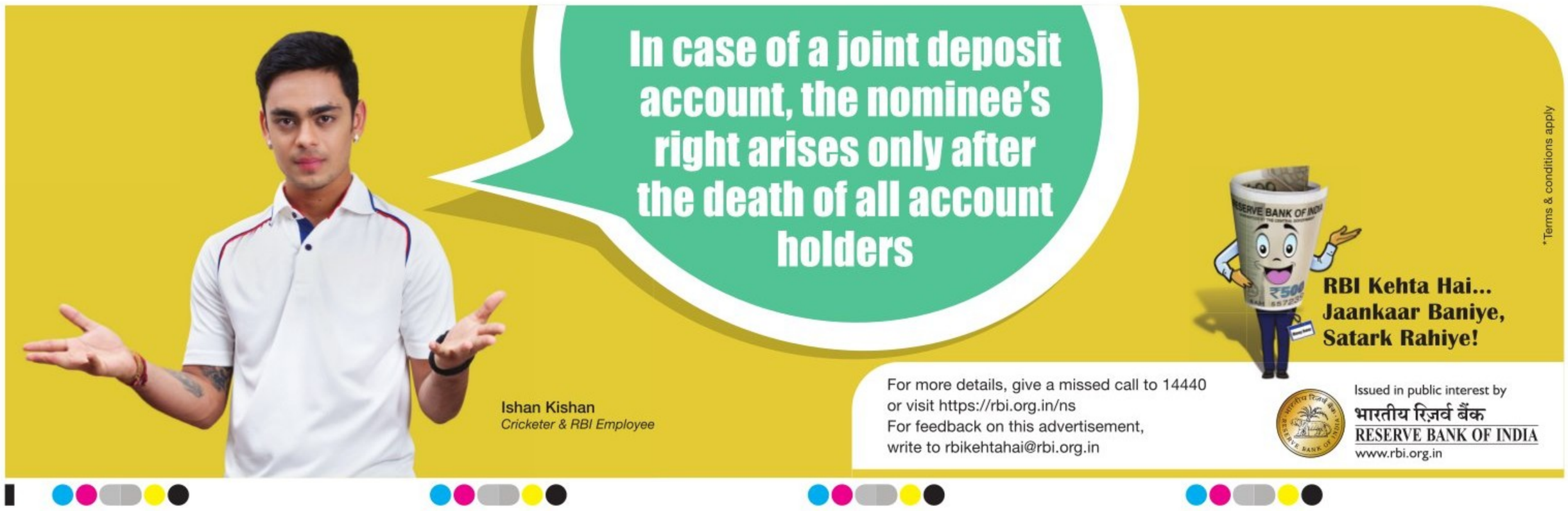
VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

THE concept of going on paternity leave among cricketers in India is rare. But times are changing and with it, preferences of players. The BCCI granted India captain Virat Kohli, a batsman the team will need the most in Australia, paternity leave on Monday. He will return from Adelaide after the first Test of the Border-Gavaskar Trophy starting on December 17 to be present alongside his wife Anushka Sharma. They are expecting the birth of their first child around the New Year. Kohli had informed his plans during the selection committee meeting.

"Considering the long rigorous tours players go through, it is important to be with their family when it matters the most. The birth of your first child is always precious," is how former selection committee chairman MSK Prasad explained. "Paternity leave is not part of BCCI's written policy, but is considered on humanitarian grounds." During India's Australia tour in 2017-18, Prasad-led panel granted similar leave to Rohit Sharma. The Mumbai Indians skipper, who was ignored for the Aussie tour due to hamstring injury, has been named only for Tests as he will not be fit for T20s and ODIs. He, however, is set to lead MI against Delhi Capitals in IPL final on Tuesday.

In fact, Australian Cricket Board is the first board to have a policy of 12-month paid maternity leave and three weeks of paternity leave in October 2019.

IPL final MI vs DC, 7.30 PM P15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WEATHER

MIN 16°C | MAX 28°C

FORECAST Sunny

Sunrise 6.16 am | Sunset 5.50 pm | Moonrise 1.18 am | Moonset 2.08 pm

B'luru Tech Summit to go virtual

Three-day event with the theme 'Next is Now', to see 25 nations participate

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

FOR the first time, the Bengaluru Tech Summit is set to go virtual. It will be held from November 19 to 21 amid the global pandemic.

The Global Innovation Alliance (GIA) Partners launched the summit on Monday, which will be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on November 19 with 10 foreign ministers expected to participate. The three-day event, with the theme 'Next is Now', will see the participation of 25 countries, and more than 250 speakers with parallel sessions on IT, BT, GIA and Startup.

Addressing the launch along with Global Innovation Alliance partners, Deputy Chief Minister C N Ashwath Narayan said 12 new memorandums of understanding across sectors on technological lines are planned, and seven of these will be signed at the summit, while others will be shortly finalised. While he assured that the older MOUs will also be addressed effectively, he did not set firm deadlines on their completion.

He said the MOUs will help technological advancements in education, skill development, healthcare sector, and also ensure market access for growth. "We are also opening up for space and defence sector collaborations and participations, and FDI for almost all sectors," he added.

He championed for the summit to be a location that facilitates collaboration between India and other countries. "There should not be a limitation to science and technology, exchange of ideas and innovation, collaboration of startups and also access to market," he added.

Of the global partners participating in the launch, several expressed interest in green energy while a few others including Sweden, Australia and Israel sought cooperation in the space sector.

This year's International Advisory Committee for the summit includes members such as Dr Meyya Meyyappan, Chief Scientist, Space Exploration, NASA's Ames Research Center, Dr Patrick Child, Deputy Director General, DG RTD , Research and Innovation European Commission, and Dr Steve Jolly, Systems Engineering Director, Lockheed Martin Corporation.

The IT Conference Committee, to be chaired by Jitendra Chaddah, Sr Director, Intel , has members including Vidya Laxman, Director, TESCO Technology, and Lalitha Indrakanti, Head of Global Business Operations, Ingka Group, IKEA India Private Limited.

Deputy Chief Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan releases the brochure of Bengaluru Tech Summit 2020 in Bengaluru on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

SOME OF THE MoUs TO BE INKED

- Karnataka Centre of Excellence (KCE) for Aerospace & Defence and SupAero, France
- KCE for Agri-Innovation and World Startup Factory, The Netherlands
- KCE for AVGC and Department of International Trade, UK
- KCE for Agri-Innovation Startup Nation Central, Israel
- KCE for Cybersecurity and Hague Security Delta, The Netherlands
- KCE for Data Sciences & AI and Mila Research Institute, Canada
- KCE for Data Sciences & AI and Business Finland
- KCE for Data Sciences & AI and UK Deputy High Commission in Bengaluru
- KCE for the Internet of Things and MINC (The Startup House of Malmo), Sweden
- Machine Intelligence and Robotics Center (MINRO) at IIIT-B and Hassoplatner Institute, Potsdam University, Germany

CRACKER OF A FESTIVAL

People shop for diyas and paper lanterns ahead of Deepavali at Gandhi Bazar, in Bengaluru on Monday | ASHISHKRISHNA H P

'Venus mission to carry Swedish satellite instrument'

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LIKEWISE, two other Israeli companies, Pluristem Therapeutics (that uses placental cells and three-dimensional technology platform to develop cell therapies for conditions such as inflammation, ischemia, exposure to radiation, etc) and an Israeli-American start-up company that develops and manufactures personal protective equipment against ionising radiation, will be participating in this year's summit.

Avi Blasberger, Director General, Israel Space Agency, will also be present this year for the virtual summit. Israel will hold a session on 'Pivoting to Space: New Opportunities For Industry and Government of Israel', on November 19.

Also, Dr Fanny von Heland, Counsellor, Innovation and Science, Embassy of Sweden in India, said they are organising a panel discussion on 'Sweden-India Space Technology Collaboration' for a sustainable future — for supporting ongoing and future dialogues and partnerships between India and Sweden.

Highlighting one of the important collaborations, Heland said, "The first Indian lunar mission, Chandrayaan-1, carried a Swedish instrument which contributed to understanding the lunar environment."

About India's upcoming Venus mission Shukrayaan-I, Heland said it will carry a Swedish satellite instrument which will study how charged particles of the Sun interact with the atmospherics and exospherics of the planet. Heland exuded confidence in Sweden playing a part in making the Venus mission a success.

Barry O'Farrell, Australia's High Commissioner to India, said the two countries are forging new bonds — from cyberspace to outer space. Australia will hold a session on November 20 on 'From Cyberspace to Outer Space: Innovating with Australia in a post-COVID world Australia'.

"Our high-level panel will provide an overview of Australia's innovation ecosystem, cyber and critical technology capabilities, and growing space ambitions," O'Farrell added. Peter Beck, Chief Executive of US-based aerospace manufacturer and smallsat launch service provider Rocket Lab, is also to address the summit.

Other key voices

Sonam Wangchuk, Indian engineer; S Gopalakrishnan (Kris), Co-founder Infosys & Chairman Axilor Ventures; Prof S Sadagopan, Director, IIITB; Dr Shekhar C Mande, Secretary, DSIR and Director-General Council of Scientific & Industrial Research; Latha Reddy, Co-Chairman, Global Commission on Stability in Cyberspace; Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group; and Sadhguru Yogi, Founder, Isha Foundation.

5 yrs on, no safe access to Green Line stations

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

EVEN five years after the opening of three stations on the Green Line (May 1, 2015), commuters have to run across the road risking life and limb to reach them or after exiting.

Riders using the Nagasandra, Dasarahalli and Jalahalli Metro stations (Reach 3B) say there is no pedestrian connectivity. Residents say pedestrians have fallen and been injured often while crossing. However, no agency was able to give accurate figures.

Madhava Banavar, process analyst in a multinational firm, comes to Nagasandra Metro station from his residence at Nelagadaranahalli on a two-wheeler. "I travel to Malleswaram regularly. It is very difficult to cross the road with vehicles constantly coming on the Tumakuru Main Road. For senior citizens and those with children it is really difficult. On account of this, many who want to use the Metro are giving it a miss."

The plan to create a subway was changed to Foot Over Bridge (FOB) at two stations. Ajay Seth, Managing Director, BMRCL, told *TNIE*, "The shift from subway to FOBs at Nagasandra and Dasarahalli was made as it would be easy to maintain them. Simplex, which is executing the project at Nagasandra, has completed the gangway across the road. Staircase painting is in progress and it will be fixed after November 16. This FOB is planned for completion by the first week of December."

At Dasarahalli, the FOB work which is being executed by the BBMP has not yet started, said an official. At Jalahalli, a subway is being constructed by the BBMP. Despite repeated calls, BBMP engineers did not respond.

Sanjeev Dyamannavar, urban transportation expert, said, "Metro being mass public transport, it is the prime responsibility of the BMRCL and the Urban Development department to provide safe and easy access to the public. These need to be planned during the Detailed Project Report stage itself. If such connectivity is put in place, it will help increase ridership too."

Trains to Delhi, Chennai will have safer LHB coaches

ENS @Bengaluru

TWO trains from KSR Bengaluru — one to New Delhi and another to Chennai — will soon run with Linke Hofman Busch (LHB) coaches, which have superior safety features.

Developed by LHB Germany, these coaches, which are much lighter compared to the conventional coach, are now mostly manufactured by Rail Coach Factory in Kapurthala.

According to an official release, KSR Bengaluru - New Delhi - KSR Bengaluru Superfast Express Special (06527/06528) will run with these coaches from November 10 to April 2, 2021 from KSR Bengaluru. From the New Delhi end, they will run from November 12 to February 6.

The KSR Bengaluru - MGR Chennai Central - KSR Bengaluru Superfast Express Special (02658/02657) will run with these coaches from November 14 to February 8, 2021 from KSR Bengaluru and from November 15 to February 2 from MGR Central.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

10th November: Tuesday is here again. This day is dedicated to the ancient deity Mars, who began life as a god of farming over two thousand years ago, and then became the god of war, giving his name to the martial arts. Libra, though, the sign of the moment, is usually very peaceful, so I am looking forward to a pleasant day.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)

The general planetary configuration this week is rather laid back, encouraging you to move along at a slower pace, perhaps a relaxed amble rather than your typical gallop. Mind you, the pressure will begin to rise again by the very end of the week. Get ready!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)

The Moon's position today is not considered a classically advantageous one for Taureans, yet it could encourage you to put more effort into a close relationship. It could also enhance your delight in languid and harmonious conditions, especially at work.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

A crucial factor in your present affairs must be the location of Mercury, your normally astute planetary ruler, in a slightly muddled region. This is persuading you to ignore the facts and follow your intuition. On the plus side, though, you will soon have a chance to change your mind.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

Lunar alignments focus your attention on that most Cancerian of concerns, your home and family. This is one of those days when Jupiter, planet of goodwill, is bound to lift your spirits and raise your morale. It could also show you how to turn a mistake to your advantage!

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)

Nothing can really prevent you from making your point with colour and passion. A frank exchange of views is called for and you should not shirk the responsibility to lay your cards on the table. You need to put your material security first - just for a change.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

You have a well-deserved reputation for being an honest and reliable individual. However, over the coming days, it may be partners who can teach you a thing or two about the proper way to conduct yourself. Listen carefully, for you will learn more than you expected.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

Venus, the planet with special responsibility for your affections, is on your side. This is bound to cheer you up and induce you to look on the bright side. It is also encouraging you to check out practical details. You might even spot a way to close a financial loop-hole.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

The time is fast approaching when you must cheer the domestic base or family home up a little. Venus and Mars are encouraging you to invite friends round and indulge in a spot of entertaining, much as part of the Scorpionic spirit resists such outgoing ventures.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)

The Moon is approaching a powerful position in your solar chart, but it's not there yet. The only reasonable conclusion is that you must pay much greater attention to people at large, not just close friends, and take pains to ensure the quality of your presentation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)

Manners, as they say, maketh Man, not to mention Woman. As long as the Moon is in its present position, I am afraid you have little choice but to be scrupulous in your behaviour - and utterly charming. You have a rare ability to work out what other people are really thinking, and that should help you avoid a disagreement.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

Your mood this evening may be quite sharply differentiated from the way you feel during the day. That's partly to do with the Sun's daily cycle. Perhaps something will happen around late afternoon to annoy or disturb you, or even to interest and stimulate you.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)

You have been around for long enough to know that there is a great deal to be said for keeping your own counsel. Yet you have probably thought deeply and long enough about one particular subject to be ready to speak your mind. Take a deep breath and make sure the words come out in the right order!

THE PHANTOM

WELCOME BEHELDS THE PHANTOM LEGEND
I THINK IT'S WORKING!
I'M DYING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE MYSTERY MAN WHO SAVED YOU, MRS. SAHARA!
"WHAT DID HE LOOK LIKE?"
FALK
DE PAUL + WANAY

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY

OKAY, MEN, THIS IS WHERE WE BIVOUAC
MOST PEOPLE CALL IT "CAMPING"
I SEE THE MESS TENT IS READY
MOST PEOPLE CALL IT A "KITCHEN"
AH! HERE'S CHOW! MOST PEOPLE WOULD JUST CALL IT "FOOD"
NO, THEY WOULDN'T

BLONDIE

ACCORDING TO MY HOROSCOPE, I SHOULD AVOID ALL CONFRONTATIONS AT WORK TODAY
DEAR, DON'T TAKE YOUR HOROSCOPE SO SERIOUSLY
ACCORDING TO MY BOSS'S HOROSCOPE, TODAY IS A GOOD DAY FOR CONFRONTATIONS

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

SUDOKU

	4					9		5
					1		3	
					9			4
	8	9			3	6		7
		6				2		
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1			3					
	2		6					
8		5					2	

EVIL

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

8	6	2	9	5	4	1	7	3
5	9	3	7	6	1	8	2	4
7	1	4	8	3	2	9	6	5
3	5	6	1	7	9	2	4	8
2	8	9	3	4	6	5	1	7
4	7	1	2	8	5	6	3	9
6	4	7	5	1	8	3	9	2
9	3	8	6	2	7	4	5	1
1	2	5	4	9	3	7	8	6

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

OKARC

SWNOH

OFTERF

EEFRRP

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SHIRT GRAFT UPDATE SOFTEN
Answer: She started walking regularly to lose weight and was making — GREAT STRIDES

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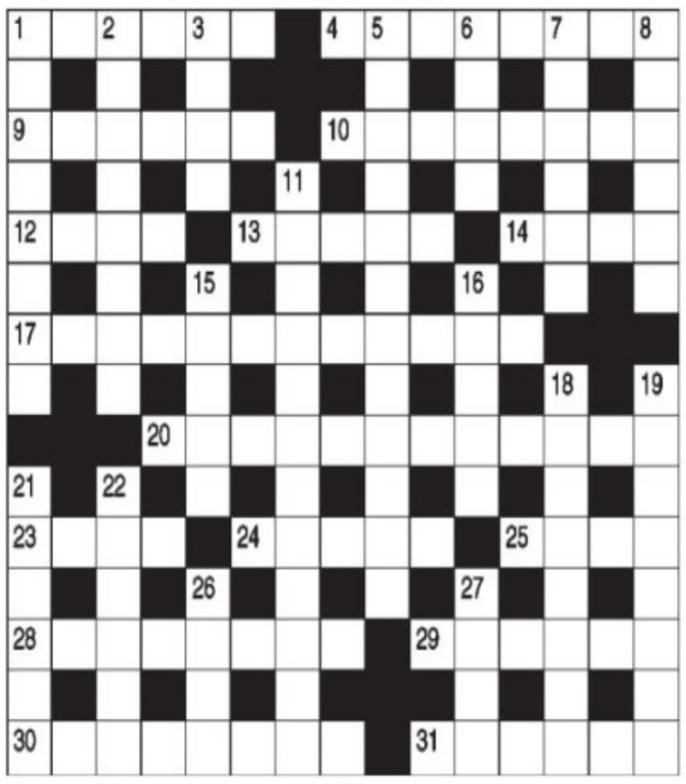
CROSS WORD



ACROSS

1 They howl with distorted vowels (6)
4 Arrange chores on a ship (8)
9 Arrested outlaw sent back to bed (6)
10 Deeply impressed with burial place in final setting (8)
12 Swing till dizzy (4)
13 Tube holding a gold coin (5)
14 He inscribed ecclesiastical books in part (4)
17 Get a move on and stamp out garrulity? (4,2,3,3)
20 A butchery firm owned by a combine? (5,7)
23 Castle in the air? (4)
24 Quietly played at home? (5)
25 A man to turn to (4)
28 Miss finished appearance (8)
29 Horse and trap showing sign of neglect (6)
30 Push the boat out and depart (5,3)
31 Minded being watched (6)

DOWN

1 Elevating device that may go over well (8)
2 Identified the boy embracing the pretty girl (8)
3 Flat-iron? (4)
5 Unlikely to be patient much longer? (12)
6 Involved in a row, Rosa is upset (4)
7 A struggle between northern and southern sea forces (6)
8 Save cash (6)
11 Postponing a mistake on the green? (7,2,3)
15 Mark and pass on (5)
16 It may be used for coats of many colours (5)
18 Given, and ideally shouldn't be paid back (8)
19 Crooked men about to plot in an underground vault (8)
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SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

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T B Jayachandra, Congress' candidate in Sira and former minister, tested positive for Covid on Monday and is in hospital. He was rushed to a private hospital in Bengaluru after he developed severe cough, family members said. His wife Nirmala tested positive on Sunday

'46 pc of K'taka had Covid by August'

Rural areas affected nearly as much as urban ones due to return of migrants, private survey found

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NEARLY half of Karnataka's population was infected by Covid-19 by August - not just in urban areas, but in the villages too - according to a private serosurvey conducted between mid-June and August.

Adjusted seroprevalence implies that approximately 31.5 million of Karnataka's residents - or 46.7% - were infected by the virus in the past. This is 96.4 times the number of cases - 3.27 lakh - reported by Department of Health by August 29. A serosurvey is used to estimate the prevalence of antibodies against a specific infectious pathogen as an indicator of immunity.

The IDFC Institute released the findings of the seroprevalence survey by experts at Duke University, University of Chicago, Mapmygenome and Center for Monitoring Indian Economy. It was funded by ACT Grants.

A health worker in Bengaluru sanitises the chair for the next patient to come by for a Covid-19 test | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

Other findings

Adjusted seroprevalence in rural Karnataka was 44.1% and 53.8% in urban areas, while it was 46.7% for the state as a whole, suggesting that rural areas were almost equally affected, contrary to the perception that only urban areas would be more vulnerable to Covid-19 due to higher population density. However, rural areas received millions of migrant workers fleeing cities and agriculture was an essential-activity exempt from lockdown.

Between 1.5% and 1.7% in rural areas and 4% and 10.5% in urban areas tested positive on a RT-PCR test, indicating rapid spread of the disease.

State-wide seroprevalence

Homogeneous region	Prevalence
Bengaluru	22.8 %
Mysuru	53.1 %
Coastal	35.0 %
Belagavi	32.8 %
Kalaburagi	31.0 %

"Our data show evidence of high levels of active infections and transmission, especially in urban areas of Mysuru and coastal districts during our study period where 9.7-0.5% of individuals tested positive for current infection," said Anup Malani, professor at Pritzker School of Medicine, University of Chicago, and one of the researchers of the study.

Sampling and methodology

The study used ELISA tests to detect the presence of antibodies specific to Covid-19 and ran pooled RT-PCR tests to determine current infections. The study sample comprised 2,912 households across 20 districts drawn from an existing, representative sample of a panel survey, the Center for Monitoring Indian Economy's Consumer Pyramids Household Survey.

Areas were divided into 5 homogenous regions (HR) - Bengaluru HR, Belagavi HR, Kalaburagi HR, Mysuru HR and Coastal HR - that is an area comprised of neighbouring districts in a state which have similar agro-climatic conditions, urbanization rates, and female literacy.

Anu Acharya, CEO of Mapmygenome said the sample size represented every kind of person in the state, and people of all economic strata from urban and rural areas.

Recommendations

Dr. Manoj Mohanan, associate professor at Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University, and one of the researchers, said these findings do not suggest under-reporting of cases. "The findings imply that there is not enough random testing, to find the true number of cases. For example, of 5 neighbours who are positive, only one is symptomatic and will be detected, while the others go unreported. Around 90-95% of India's population is asymptomatic. The state can make a policy decision to have random testing at targeted places," Mohanan said, adding that there is a need to focus on people who can spread the disease and not just patients.

The report said there was a "strong case for adopting frequent testing in exchange for permitting productive economic activity. A total relaxation could lead to a spike in infections among such at-risk populations leading to further spikes in severe cases or mortality, and that will create a large burden for the health system. Therefore... it is critical to continue efforts to promote mask wearing, hand washing, and communicating the significance of COVID complications to individuals who are at risk."

Mask violation: From Siddu to Surya, all fined, state tells HC

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IN THE HC

THE state government on Monday informed the Karnataka High Court that fine of Rs 250 each was collected from 684 violators, including Opposition leader Siddaramaiah, MPs D K Suresh and Tejasvi Surya and actor Darshan, for not wearing a mask during the RR Nagar bypoll campaigning between October 21 and November 1 and a BJP bike rally on September 30.

A list containing details of the fines collected in seven police station limits was filed before the division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty in response to directions issued by the court during the last hearing of a public interest litigation filed by the Bengaluru-based Letzkit Foundation.

The state government had submitted the details of 18 non-cognisable reports (NCRs) filed by the police, instead of booking cases against violators under the Karnataka Epidemic Diseases Act and Disaster Management Act, though the offences committed by politicians and celebrities are cognisable in nature.

The state also produced a copy of the complaint registered by the Chikkajala police on Covid-19 norm violations during a rally held on September 30. The event was organised to receive MP Tejasvi Surya after he was appointed the BJP national Yuva Morcha president.

The state government clarified that the DCP (crime) submitted a a report stating that Surya wore the mask in his jurisdiction, and that the photo showing him without the mask was at a location that fell outside his jurisdiction.

The counsel for the petitioner told the court that fines were collected from the violators only after the court issued directions.

During the previous hearing, the court had pulled up the city police for filing NCRs for cognisable offences instead of booking cases under relevant laws.

One NCR converted into FIR

In one case, following the court's directions, the Mahalakshmi Layout police converted an NCR into a regular case, and registered an FIR against Malleswaram BJP president Manjunatha under Section 188 of IPC and Section 51(B) of National Disaster Management Act on November 6.

EXPRESS READ

K'taka sees highest recovery rate on Monday

BENGALURU: The state saw its highest recovery rate on Monday at 94.77%, and the mortality rate is 1.34%, down from 2% in July. On July 5, Karnataka had a recovery rate of 41.94%, which dropped to 35.29% on July 20, and has been improving since then. Until August end, the recovery rate was 72.85%, and by September end it rose to 80.64%. It improved further to 91.95% by October 31. Between November 1-9 it improved even more, rising to 94.77% from 92.25%. However, the number of single-day discharges has come down to less than 3,000, from around 8,000 previously. "The idea is to keep doing a high number of tests and track cases at an early stage. This will help bring down the mortality rate. Earlier the mortality rate was over 2%, but now we have brought it down to below 1.5%. We are not far from achieving a target of less than 1%," said Dr K Sudhakar, Minister for Health. The the number of active cases in Bengaluru Urban district has dropped from 66,854 cases in October to 18,395 to date.

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This Public Notice is to inform the general public that, I LATHA M is my maiden name and after my marriage to Mr. AJIT V DURG, as per tradition and practice I have added the surname of my husband to my name and after marriage I am now called LATHA A DURG.
I hereby declare and affirm that LATHA M and LATHA A DURG is one and the same person.
LATHA. M also known as LATHA A DURG, W/o Mr. Ajit V Durg, No.13/B, 10th 'A' Cross, 4th Main Road, R.K.Layout, I Stage, Padmanabhanagar, Bengaluru - 560 070. Mob: 9844073413
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PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
The Borrower Sri H.G.Babuprasad, S/o H.Govindaswamy, R/a No.17/15, Papaiah Garden, BSK 2nd Stage, Bengaluru. The debt due to Bank as on 05.11.2020 of Rs.49,49,509.00 + Interest & miscellaneous expenses. Auction sale under the securitization and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforce of Security Interest Act 2002 Section 13(4) of the Immovable properties mortgaged to The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., is brought to Sale under "AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" "AS IS WHAT IS BASIC CONDITION"on 11.12.2020, Friday at 11.00 am.
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.187, situated at Akkamahadevi Road, (Akkipet Main Road), Ward No.29, Bangalore-53, measuring East to West 35'4½ feet & North to South 27'9" and bounded On the East by: Akkipet Main Road, West by: Property belonging to Sri Ramesh Babu, North by: Property belonging to Smt. Pillamma & South by: Maniramanna Lane.
TERMS AND CONDITIONS
(1) The public auction will be conducted in the premises of the Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Head Office No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560 018.
(2) For participation in the auction the intending bidders have to deposit an amount of Rs.12,71,960/- equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price of the property Rs.1,27,19,598/- being cautioned deposit. The cautioned deposit shall be forfeited by the bank without any prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms of sale, time and commits default in any manner.
(3) The successful bidder should deposit 25% of the bid amount on the same day at the time of sale in cash/DD to the GMCB Ltd. and the balance within 15 days from the date of sale.
(4) The successful bidders shall bear all expenses like stamp duty, Registration fee etc., for getting the sale certificate Registered in his/her favour.
(5) The authorized officer shall have powers to accept or reject bids or postpone/cancel the auction without assigning any reasons thereof.
(6) For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending bidder may contact the undersigned at the GMCB Ltd., or through Telephone, they are at liberty to make their own assessment/enquiry about the property. Balance of tax and others charges has to be bourned by purchaser.
Place: Bangalore
Date: 05.11.2020
Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co Operative Bank Ltd.,

SRI LAKSHMI MAHILA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA
"Lakshmi Sadana", No.3,4, East Anjaneya Temple Street, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004, Ph: 080 26614794
PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
The undersigned being the Authorized officer of the Bank has taken possesssion of the immovable property described below under section 13(4) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of security Interest Act- 2002 and the same will be sold by inviting offers/tenders from the public on "As is where is" and "As is What is Basis" subject to the terms and conditions mentioned below.
1. Name and Address of the Borrower:- Smt Gulab Jan W/o Sri Syed Moula No.519/9, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560026
Names and Address of the Guarantors:- 1. Sri Mohammed Fateh Ali S/o Sri Syed Moula, No.519/9, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560026
2. Sri Syed Mohammed Haneef Hussaini S/o Sri Syed Moula, No.519/9, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560026
Outstanding Liabilities:Rs.29,94,942-00 as on 07-11-2020 with further interest and other charges.
Description of the Secured Property:- All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing old No.519, New No.519/9, (PID No.43-40-519/9) situated at Hindu Burial Ground Layout, 13th Cross, Devaraj Urs Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore, totally measuring 500 Sq.ft and bounded as follows: East by: Property No.518, West by: Property No.520, North by: Road, South by: Property No.516.
Reserve Price: Rs.42,24,000-00 EMD : Rs.4,22,400-00
Date of Opening Tenders At 3-00 p.m. on 17.12.2020 at Bank's Premises
Terms and conditions of the Auction :
1. The Property will not be sold below the Reserve Price.
2. The amount of EMD mentioned above shall be paid by way of Pay Order/DD/Banker's cheque drawn in favour of "Sri Lakshmi Mahila Sahakara Bank Niyamitha", Bangalore-4 on or before 5.00 P.M. On 16-12-2020 along with tender/offer letter for purchase of the property in a sealed cover (EMD of the unsuccessful bidder will be returned without interest)
3. The offer/tender letter shall be accompained with attested copy of the PAN Card and photo identity of the bidder/offer with residential address proof.
4. The sealed tenders will be opened by the Authorized Officer of the Bank in the presence of the bidders/tenderers (who may like to be present) on 17-12-2020 at 3.00 P.M. The Authorized officer is at liberty to give an opportunity to bid or enhance the offer by the bidders or accept the highest bid amount or reject/postpone the sale of the property at his discretion without assigning any reason therefore.
5. Successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the final bid amount (including EMD) immediately on the sale being knocked down in his favour and the balance sale price has to be remitted within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale or any other date as may be specified by the Authorized Officer.
6. The successful bidder shall bear all the legal/incidental expenses towards stamp duty, registration charges local taxes, power and water charges etc.,
7. On confirmation of sale by the Bank and upon compliance of terms of payment, the Authorized officer shall issue the sale certificate in the name of the Purchaser only in the Form in Appendix V of the Security Interest(Enforcement) Rules-2002.
8. The Bank reserves the right to forfeit the amounts already remitted by the bidder if he fails to remit the balance sale price within 15 days or any other date as specified by the Authorized Officer.
9. The Bank will not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrance or any other dues to the Government or any claim of any person in respect of the property being sold.
10. The bidder may inspect the property and verify the documents/title deeds available with the Bank with prior intimation and satisfy themselves before submitting the tender (Ph.No.080 26614794).
Note:- This is also a notice to the Borrowers/Guarantors for the loan about holding of acution sale of the property on the date indicated above if the Bank dues are not repaid in full before the date of auction.
Place: Bangalore
Date :09.11.2020
Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Sri Lakshmi Mahila Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Bangalore

Indian Bank
New Tippasandra Branch, No.622, 1 St floor , 80 Feet, 12 Main, HAL II stage, Bangalore-560008. Phone - 22958838/39, 9449864129.
APPENDIX IV {Rule 8(1)}
POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property)
Whereas The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Indian Bank, New Tippasandra Branch under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 09.01.2020 calling upon the borrowers 1.Smt.R.Anitha w/o CMK Venkatesh,No.222, Duo heights, 6th main, 7th cross, Begur, Bangalore 560 068.. 2. Smt.R.Anitha w/o CMK Venkatesh,16/2/12,Raja gruha upstairs, Vijaya bank layout, Ganga parameswari Nagar,Bilekahalli,Bangalore 76 ., 3. Sri CMK Venkatesh s/o Kuppaiah, No.222, Duo heights, 6th main, 7th cross, Begur, Bangalore 560 068., 4. Sri CMK Venkatesh s/o Kuppaiah, 16/2/12,Rajagruha upstairs, Vijaya bank layout, Ganga parameswari Nagar, Bilekahalli, Bangalore 76 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. Rs.38,65,188/- (Rupees Thirty eight lakh sixty five thousand one hundred and eighty eight only) as on 31.12.2019 together with interest and costs thereon from 01.01.2020 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The amount due as on 31.10.20 is Rs. 41,79,300/- (Rupees Forty one lakh seventy nine thousand three hundred only) , with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 01.11.2020
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 8 & 9 of the said rules on this 7th day of November,2020.
The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the Indian Bank,New Tippasandra Branch for an amount of Rs 41,79,300/- (Rupees Forty one lakh seventy nine thousand three hundred only) , as on 31.10.2020 ,with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 01.11.2020
DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Mortgaged assets: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No. 32, with building constructed there on,New khata No.1429,old khata no 1429/109/32 formed in converted land in Sy no 109/1 of Karivobhanahalli village (Land was converted into residential use vide official Memorandum bearing No ALN/N/Y SR/86/2012-13 dtd. 01.03.2013,passed by Deputy Commissioner Bangalore dt,Yeshwanthapur Hobli,Bangalore north taluk within jurisdiction of BBMP,measuring East to west 40 ft and North to south 30 feet in all admeasuring 1200 sqft, and the property bounded on East by: Road, West by:Site no 41, North by: Site no 33, South by: site no 31
Date:07.11.2020
Place:Bengaluru
Authorized Officer
Indian Bank
New Tippasandra Branch

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BYPOLL SECRET TO BE UNBOXED TODAY

BJP confident of winning both seats; DKS hopes for a good beginning | Ban orders under Sec 144 imposed around counting centre in Bengaluru | Sira crucial for JDS as party wants to retain seat held by Sathyanarayana

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COUNTING of votes in the keenly contested RR Nagar and Sira Assembly bypolls and biennial elections to four Legislative Council seats, conducted amidst the Covid pandemic, will start early on Tuesday. Initial trends will trickle in around 10 am, while bypoll results are likely to start coming in by afternoon.

The Election Commission has made elaborate arrangements for the counting that will begin by opening strongrooms in the presence of election observers and candidates at 7.45 am. Counting will start with postal ballots at 8 am and EVMs at 8.30 am. RR Nagar recorded a low voter turnout of 45.24 per cent, while Sira did well with 82.31 per cent. Legislative Council constituencies, South-East graduates, West Graduates, Northeast Teachers and Bangalore teachers, had seen good turnouts of over 70 per cent voting.

Though the outcome of bypolls will not have any bearing on the state government or the opposition, they are politically significant for all the three major parties. While the BJP is looking to further consolidate its position, Congress and JDS are fighting to retain their hold in the Vokkaliga-dominated constituencies. If exit polls are anything to go by, the BJP has an advantage in both seats, but the Congress is confident as well.

"I am confident of a good beginning," state Congress president DK Shivakumar said on Monday, referring to his first election test after taking over as party state president. "Everyone in the party worked together and we will be successful as people will not leave us," Shivakumar said. The low voter turnout at RR Nagar is an indication that the people are not happy with the government, he tried to reason.

The BJP is confident of its candidate N Munirathna winning the RR Nagar seat. So sure that he is said to be already lobbying for the energy portfolio in the B S Yediyurappa cabinet.

Munirathna is banking on his connect with voters, and BJP support base. But Shivakumar and his MP-brother DK Suresh went all out to garner votes for party candidate H Kusuma. The JDS, however, seems to have focused more on retaining Sira, which was represented by the party MLA.

The BJP which went to polls with an aggressive strategy of pushing development agenda and micro-management of castes is confident of winning the Sira seat for the first time. The JDS is banking on the sympathy wave in favour of party candidate Ammajamma, who is the wife of former MLA late B Sathyanarayana, and Gowda's connect with Vokkaliga voters. Jayachandra, who lost the 2018 elections by 10,000 votes, hopes to win the election.

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> DK Shivakumar, KPCC president

(Top) Security arrangements ahead of counting at Sri Jnanakshi Vidyaniketan, Bengaluru, on Monday. (Above) Bengaluru City Police Commissioner Kamal Pant and BBMP Commissioner Manjunatha Prasad discuss security measures | VINOD KUMAR T

RR NAGAR: Heavy police security at counting centre

Bengaluru: The city police have made elaborate security arrangements around Government Arts College near KR Circle, where counting for the Rajarajeshwari Nagar bypoll will be held on Tuesday.

Police have also imposed ban orders under Section 144 in the 200 metre radius of the counting centre till Tuesday evening.

A senior police officer said that 600 police constables, ACPs, 20 police inspectors, 48 sub-inspectors, 76 assistant sub-inspectors and 360 head constables have been deployed at the counting centre.

Deputy commissioners of police of respective police divisions have been given the responsibility of making security arrangements. Additionally, 899 police personnel, including nine platoons each of Karnataka State Reserve Police and City Armed Reserve have been deployed.

A senior police officer said that all DCPs, ACPs and inspectors have been told to monitor the situation. Hoysala and Cheeta patrolling vehicles too have been deployed.

Sira bypoll: Action shifts to Tumakuru

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @Tumakuru

THE political future of 15 candidates, including three from the major political parties, who have contested the Sira bypoll on November 3 will be decided on Tuesday.

As the votes are counted at the Government Polytechnic College at Tumakuru, the political strategies of KPCC president D K Shivakumar, state BJP vice-president B Y Vijayendra, son of chief minister B S Yediyurappa who was in charge of the bypoll, and former prime minister and JDS patriarch H D Deve Gowda, who had pitched the tent here, too will be tested.

"It will be a question of the very existence of JDS as it has to retain the seat held by party MLA late B Sathyanarayana," said Gomaradahalli Manjunath, a party supporter.

Followers of Congress candidate T B Jayachandra visited the Honnadevi temple at Hebburu near here and offered prayers. When the flowers dropped from the right side of the deity, they considered it auspicious.

Former MLA K N Rajanna said that Jayachandra should win by a margin of at least 10,000 votes as AHINDA voters – an acronym for minorities, backward classes and Dalits – rallied behind the Congress with Assembly opposition leader Siddaramaiah seeking their support.

"Given Deve Gowda's aggressive campaigning, the party will garner a respectable vote share of around 30,000 votes," predicted Rajanna, who had won the Bellavi seat on a JDS ticket in the 2004.

The BJP too is sure of its candidate Dr C M Rajesh Gowda's victory. Vijayendra was in town on Monday and met the family of BJP worker Tippeswamy, whose two daughters drowned at Kallambella village on Sunday.

JDS sources said that party candidate Ammajamma may not be present at the counting centre in the earlier part of the day. "She will visit the centre later, depending on the trend," they added.

Archakas, staff of muzrai temple to get insurance

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IN a first in the country, archakas working at muzrai temples run by the state government will get pension, health insurance and life insurance benefits from now on.

The state Endowments Department manages 34,559 temples. Of these, 175 are Class A whose annual revenue is above Rs 25 lakh, 163 are Class B with an annual income between Rs 5 lakh and Rs 25 lakh and 34,221 are Class C with an income of less than Rs 5 lakh.

Over 50,000 people, including chief archaks, archaks and other staff, are working at these temples. The health insurance is up to Rs 5 lakh and will cover the staff members and their families, a department official said.

Till now, the temple staff did not have health insurance, employee state insurance or provident fund benefits. The government is likely to announce the scheme by the end of this month, he added.

"We are conducting a survey and collecting data on the health and death of the temple staff. Based on the survey, we will design the insurance format," the official said.

Jayachandra in hospital after testing +ve for Covid-19

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T B Jayachandra, Congress candidate in Sira and former minister, was hospitalised on Monday after testing positive for Covid-19. The 71-year-old was rushed to a private hospital in Bengaluru after he developed a cough, family members said. Jayachandra's wife Nirmala had tested positive on Sunday.

His hospitalisation comes on the eve of bypoll results, to be out on Tuesday. Jayachandra fought the November 3 election in Sira against BJP's Dr Rajesh Gowda and JDS candidate Ammajamma.

Speaking to *TNIE*, Jayachandra's son Santhosh said his mother was in home isolation but the couple was shifted to a private hospital after Jayachandra developed symptoms.

"My father developed a severe cough on Monday and we did not want to take any chances. The scan showed some congestion and doctors said it could be Covid-19," said Santosh, before the positive report came. The rest of the family has tested negative.

With huge crowds attending rallies, events and gatherings, all parties have been accused of flouting Covid norms. The government had directed that 20% of the population be tested as part of a drive to check the spread of the disease in Sira post the poll process. At least 50 people had tested positive till Friday.

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> Ravi Kumar, BJP general secretary

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> Harish Bijoor, Political analyst

Two bypolls done and dusted, all eyes on Maski, Basavakalyan

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

WITH the by-elections to Rajarajeshwari Nagar and Sira drawing to a close on Tuesday, the focus will now shift to Maski in Raichur and Basavakalyan in Bidar where bypolls are likely to be held soon. The Election Commission is expected to announce the dates shortly.

The next bypolls were informally discussed by all three political parties — BJP, Congress, JDS — at their recent meetings.

In Basavakalyan, the Congress may give the ticket to either Mala, the wife of deceased MLA Narayan Rao, or Gautham, the son. But the final decision will be taken by state party president D K Shivakumar, opposition leader Siddaramaiah, party general secretary in charge of Karnataka Randeep Singh Surjewala, party working president Eshwar Khandre, who was in charge of the district, and senior party leader Mallikarjun Kharge, party sources said.

In Maski, Congress leaders are in favour of Basanagouda Turvihal, who switched over to Congress from BJP on Sunday. In the 2018 Assembly polls, Turvihal, who was contesting on a BJP ticket, lost to then Congress candidate Prathapgouda Patil by a thin margin of 200 votes. Prathapgouda later switched over to the BJP necessitating the by-election.

The Janata Parivar, of which the JDS is an offshoot, was once a formidable force in entire North Karnataka including Maski and Basavakalyan constituencies, but has fared badly over the last few elections. In 2018, JDS leaders PGR Sindhia, who was contesting from Maski, and Raja S Nayak from Basavakalyan fared badly at the polls and stood a distant third. Sindhia polled 33,000 votes, while Nayak managed 11,000.

BJP general secretary Ravi Kumar said, "We have held informal discussions on these bypolls. But a formal decision will be taken after the counting for RR Nagar and Sira bypolls."

The saffron party, which has creditable performances over the last few polls, is confident of bagging the two constituencies too, as they have a large number of Lingayat voters. Maski has about 60,000 Lingayat, 50,000 Valmikis 40,000 SC, 16,000 Kuruba and 10,000 Muslim voters.

Basavkalyan has 55,000 Lingayat, 49,000 Muslim, 40,000 Maratha, 26,000 Koli, 15,000 Kuruba and about 45,000 SC votes.

Political analyst Harish Bijoor said, "There is a congealing of votes and the ruling party tends to gain if Sira and RR Nagar results go according to the exit poll, which has predicted a sweep for the BJP. If that happens, then Maski and Basavakalyan are a no-brainer."

EXPRESS READ

Krishi Mela to be held from Nov 11 to 13

Bengaluru: This year's Krishi Mela will be held at the GKVK campus of University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Bengaluru, from November 11 to 13. Around 25 stalls will be put up at the campus to demonstrate new technologies and other events will also be held, while following Covid-19 guidelines. Farmers can watch all the events and get information about technologies being demonstrated at the Krishi Mela on various social media platforms. Children below 18 years and senior citizens above 60 years will not be allowed on the campus. ENS

Cong threatens to protest against power tariff hike

Bengaluru: KPCC president DK Shivakumar has threatened to launch a statewide stir if the power tariff hike is not withdrawn. He said the Congress would protest against the steep hike — 40 paisa per unit across the state — and alleged that the hike would hurt all sectors, especially farming. He said at a time when people are reeling under the effects of coronavirus, this would just hurt the common man even more. "If the government does not roll back the hike in seven days, we will launch protests from November 17 -20 across the state." **ENS**

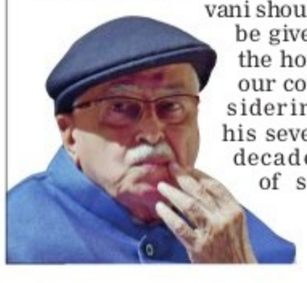
HIGHEST CIVILIAN AWARD

Confer Bharata Ratna on Advani: BJP leader to PM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Shivamogga

FORMER Chairman of the Legislative Council, D H Shankaramurthy, has requested Prime Minister Narendra Modi to confer the Bharat Ratna, the highest civilian award in the country, to senior BJP leader L K Advani.

In a letter to the PM, Shankaramurthy said Advani should be given the honour considering his seven decades of social service to the nation. "Advaniji's loyalty, honesty and leadership qualities, depth of knowledge and upholding the pride of the nation in matters of international affairs were commendable," said Shankaramurthy. "His role was exemplary in building the Jana Sangha and Bharatiya Janata Party from scratch," he noted.



Recalling his association with Advani, Shankaramurthy said he was fortunate to interpret the former's speeches in Karnataka at public events for about 50 years, when he got a glimpse of the ideas and knowledge with which Advani took the party to its pinnacle.

EDUCATION, VIRTUALLY FOR ALL

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa distributes smartphones and laptops to students during the inauguration of the Jnana Thana scheme, under the Sri Dharmasthala Rural Development Project, at his home office Krishna, in Bengaluru, on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Lifeguards rescued two tourists from drowning in the sea at Malpe beach on Monday. Ramya Muralidhar (28) had entered the water during strong current, and was swept away. Maruthi Suhas (20), who rushed to her aid, was also struck down by a big wave. Lifeguard Madhukar noticed this and alerted the rescue team who reached them by jet ski and rescued them.

Ex-minister's son held for harbouring drug peddlers

CCB to question Darshan Lamani's friends as part of the probe

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FORMER minister and Congress leader Rudrappa Lamani's son Darshan Lamani was arrested on Monday for allegedly harbouring two people in connection with a drug peddling racket via the darknet.

The duo was traced in Goa along with Darshan, said the Central Crime Branch police investigating the use of darknet for drug trafficking.

Darshan Lamani

A senior police officer said that two of the accused, Hemanth and Suneesh, were on the run after the CCB busted the online drug racket on November 5 in KG Nagar police station limits in South Division. The prime accused Sujay was caught redhanded while he was receiving a consignment of 500 grams of hydro ganja from a foreign country. The accused had paid the money through bitcoins. Further investigations led the CCB to identify Hemanth and Suneesh, but they managed to escape.

Based on a tip off, the CCB tracked them down in Goa and arrested them along with Darshan, who hails from Ranebennur in Haveri. All the three have been taken into police custody. The CCB is trying to ascertain Darshan's role in the racket and also how drugs were procured through the darknet.

The police officer said that Darshan's phone call records are being verified to get leads if family members of political leaders are involved in drug peddling. "We have also gathered details with whom he had contact to reach Goa and some of his friends will be questioned in a couple of days," he said.

FATHER SHOCKED

Speaking to *TNIE*, Rudrappa Lamani said, "My son left Ranebennur last Monday saying he was going to get an admission form for LLB in a private college in Bengaluru. He recently completed BA in Journalism. We were not aware that he had been to Goa. Till Saturday, he was in touch with me. But his mobile remained switched off on Sunday. One of the police personnel who knew me called from Goa to inform me that Darshan was detained by the police on Sunday."

He said, "I was shocked to see the news in the media that he was involved in a drug peddling case. I was not aware that he consumed drugs. I will meet him in the CCB office on Tuesday to find out what happened."

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> Congress leader Rudrappa Lamani

WANTING DEMANDS MET

Retired employees of KSRTC and BMTC stage a protest at Anand Rao Circle in Bengaluru on Monday | SHRIRAM BN

EXPRESS READ

Landlord, tenant spar over house rent payment

BENGALURU: A landlord and a tenant allegedly assaulted each other over the issue of house rent payment at HMT Layout in RT Nagar on Sunday. A senior police officer said that Sayed Iliyas, a businessman, had rented out his house to Mohemmed Nadvi five years ago. But Nadvi had not paid the rent since the lockdown, with Iliyas forcing him to pay up or vacate the property. On Sunday, their spat turned ugly when in a fit of rage, the two began assaulting each other. Iliyas told police that Nadvi is a maulvi, who also works as an assistant in the office of an advocate. He intentionally delayed paying the rent, taking advantage of the Covid situation. RT Nagar police have registered a case. **ENS**

Pre-wedding shoot ends in tragic death of bride, groom

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Mysuru

A pre-wedding shoot of an engaged couple ended in their tragic death after the coracle capsized in the Cauvery river near Talakadu in T Narsipur taluk. The deceased, Chandru and Shashikala, were Kyathamaranahlli residents in Mysuru city.

The tragedy has cast gloom in both the families and the marriage was set for November 22. Chandru and Shashikala had decided to have pre-wedding shoot in front of Mysuru Palace, Mudukuthore temple and Talakadu. As they completed the shoot at Mysuru Palace and proceeded to Talakadu, where they wanted a photoshot in a boat.

As the couple could not get a boat, they decided to have photoshoot on coracle. Chandru stepped into the coracle, but Shashikala, who was wearing a high-heeled slipper, lost balance and both drowned as the coracle capsised. Locals and police summoned professional swimmers who fished out the bodies after 3-4 hours.

You say temple is illegally built, yet pray there: HC to petitioner

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

A petitioner who has filed a PIL challenging an illegally built temple has now told the court that he will continue to pray there.

The Karnataka High Court on Monday said that the petitioner then cannot be allowed to continue as pro bono litigant.

A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty passed the order after the petitioner, A Velumurugan, filed an affidavit stating that he will continue to visit Shiva Subramanya Swamy temple which was allegedly constructed encroaching 20 acres forest land at Bhadragiri of MC Halli in Tarikere taluk of Chikkamagaluru district.

Then the bench said that even after taking note of the fact that the temple was constructed encroaching forest land, the petitioner wanted to take the benefit of the temple. "He is not a pro bono petitioner and cannot be allowed to prosecute the matter," the bench said.

While hearing the petition on September 30, the bench had observed that no God would say he should be worshipped in an illegally built temple and directed the petitioner to file an affidavit stating whether still he wanted to visit that temple.

In response to this, the petitioner had filed the affidavit stating that the temple was built before his birth. Recently he came to know that it was constructed over government property. He said his family has religious faith in that temple.

He stated that his visit to the temple will not come in the way of ventilating the grievances in respect of mismanagement of the temple and encroachment. Hence, he prayed that the court issue a direction that the temple be handed over to the Muzrai Department. Further hearing was adjourned to November 24.

3.7kg gold, ₹3.5 cr found after raid on KAS officer

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) sleuths, who had raided the residences of KAS officer B Sudha and her close associates, have unearthed property-related documents, cash, gold and other valuables.

Six teams comprising ACB officials had raided the Kodigehalli residence of Sudha, the Administrative Officer of the Department of IT-BT, on Saturday. Besides her residence, seven other places were also raided simultaneously in Bengaluru, Mysuru and Udupi.

ACB officials have said that more than 200 property-related documents, sales deeds, GPAs, Agreements and other papers have been seized during the raids. "There were about 50 bank accounts in the name of the accused officer and her close aides, and cheque leafs related to those accounts have been seized. Besides, cash to the tune of Rs 36.89 lakh have been seized during the raids at seven places," a release stated.

"It is also found that Sudha and others related to the case had about Rs 3.5 crore deposit in bank accounts. Also, 3.7 kg of gold and 10.5 kg of silver articles were found during the raids. The verification of the documents seized is under way and further investigations are on," it added.

It is learnt that Sudha, who was Special Land Acquisition Officer at the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) earlier, allegedly used other persons involved in the case as Benami. "We are getting more information from the public about the accused after the raid. We have asked Sudha to provide documents related to the seizures made during the raids," an official said, adding that a case was registered under the provisions of the Prevention of Corruption Act.

IN THE COURT OF THE I ADDL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C. MISC. No. 355/2020

BETWEEN: Smt. Gowramma W/o Devraj, aged about 47 years,R/a No. 58, ECC Road, Pattanduru Agrahara, Whitefield Post, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 066. ... **PETITIONER**

AND: The Tahsildhar, Registrar Of Births & Deaths, Bengaluru East Taluk ... **RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above petitioner had filed the petition for issue of Death Certificate of her Mother named as **RATHNAMMA, W/o Late Nagappa,** as she died on 18.04.1986 at No. 58, ECC Road, Pattanduru Agrahara, Whitefield Post, K.R.Puram, Bengaluru 560 066.

If any person interested in this matter, may appear before the Hon'ble court either personally or through pleader duly instructed with objection if any on **27-11-2020** at 11. a.m failing which, the above case will be heard and decided Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of this court on 09-11-2020 at Bengaluru.

By Order of the Court, Sheristedar, Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner:
MANJUNATHA .B
Vakya Law Chambers No. 17 & 18 II Floor, 1st Cross, KHB Colony, Gandhinagar, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.

Public Notice

NOTICE is hereby given that **Mr. Lakshminarayana Gubba (DIN 00467460)** resident of S/o. Late Krishnaiah Gubba, aged about 55 years, resident of Bangalore at #222, Matha Nilaya, 5th Main, 6th Block, B.S.K.III Stage, Bangalore-560 085 is no longer the Director of Matha Overseas Private Limited and Matha Rocks Private Limited, with effect from November 3, 2020.

General Public is hereby cautioned that Mr. Lakshminarayana Gubba has no authority of whatsoever nature to transact any business or to receive money or to commit any orders or to act in any way for and on behalf of the aforementioned companies. General Public is alerted not to enter into any transaction pertaining to the aforementioned companies with Mr. Lakshmi narayana Gubba.

Any person dealing with him shall do so at his own risk and responsibility. The aforementioned companies shall neither be liable not responsible for any unauthorised and unlawful acts of Mr. Lakshminarayana Gubba in any manner.

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K. Krithika D/o R. Kumar, residing at Dasarahosahalli, Bangarpet Taluk, K. G. F Main Road, Karnataka. This is to inform on the **Date 20.12.2019 Morning 09.30 AM** I accidently lost my 10th Std Marks Card and Transfer Certificate in Bangarpet Railway Station, inspite of best efforts it could not be traced. Anyone who find it can contact to **7019261728** or the nearest police station.

IN THE COURT OF THE I ADDL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C. MISC. No. 353/2020

BETWEEN: Smt. Muniyamma W/o Narasimhaiah, aged about 56 years,R/a No. 181, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Ayyappanagar, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 066. ... **PETITIONER**

AND: The Tahsildhar, Registrar Of Births & Deaths, Bengaluru East Taluk ... **RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above petitioner had filed the petition for issue of Death Certificate of her Uncle named as **MUNIKADIRAPPA S/o MUNISHAMAPPA,** as he died on 12-09-1996 at No. 181, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Ayyappanagar, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 066.

If any person interested in this matter, may appear before the Hon'ble court either personally or through pleader duly instructed with objection if any on **27-11-2020** at 11. a.m failing which, the above case will be heard and decided Ex-parte.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given under instructions of our client to issue this Public Notice. Our Client intends to transact with Mrs. Meera Ganeriwal, ie, the land owner of residentially converted land bearing Survey No 40/1B2 measuring 1 acre 20 guntas, bearing BBMP Khatha No 61, situated in Chikkabellanduru Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk (**"Item 1 Property"**) and Mr L Martin, ie, the land owner of residentially converted land bearing Survey No 97/1A2 measuring 1 acre, bearing BBMP Khatha No 589, situated in Gunjuru Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru District (**"Item 2 Property"**). Item 1 Property and Item 2 Property are more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder (**"Schedule Property"**).

Any person, banks, financial institutions, or any entities having any claim of any manner over the Schedule Property, or any portion thereof, are hereby requested to make the same known in writing along with complete documentary proof to the undersigned having their office at Embassy Quest, 3rd Floor, 45/1, Magrath Road, Bengaluru – 560 025, within a period of 10 (ten) days from the date of publication hereof, failing which, our clients will proceed to complete the transactional formalities on the basis that, there are no claims over the Schedule Property or any portion thereof.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item 1 Property (belonging to Mrs Meera Ganeriwal) All that piece and parcel of immovable property being residentially converted land bearing Survey No 40/1B2 measuring 1 acre 20 guntas, bearing BBMP Khatha No 61, situated in Chikkabellanduru Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru District and bounded as follows: **East by** : Gramtana; **West by** :Land bearing Survey No 40/1A4; **North by**: Land bearing Survey Nos 40/1A, 1A2 and 1A3 **South by**:Land bearing Survey No 40/1B1.

Item 2 Property (belonging to Mr. L Martin) All that piece and parcel of immovable property being residentially converted land bearing Survey No 40/1B2 measuring 1 acre 20 guntas, bearing BBMP Khatha No 61, situated in Chikkabellanduru Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru District and bounded as follows: **East by** : Gramtana; **West by** :Land bearing Survey No 40/1A4; **North by**: Land bearing Survey Nos 40/1A, 1A2 and 1A3 **South by**:Land bearing Survey No 40/1B1.

Sudheer H Madamaiah - ADVOCATE
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Date: [10/11/2020] Phone: 9845525612 Email: sudheer.madamaiah@khaitanco.com

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POSSESSION NOTICE (Under Rule 8(1)) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Sri Lakshmi MahilaSahakara Bank Niyamitha,** having its Head office at Gandhi Bazaar, Bangalore-560004, being the secured creditor under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated: **21.07.2020** calling upon the following borrowers/guarantors to repay the amounts mentioned against their names within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice:

Sl.No.	A/c No.	Name of the Borrower	Name of the Guarantors	Outstanding
01	HL 225	**Sri Vishwantha P** S/o Sri Palani, No.608, Veerabhadrappa Road, R.S. Palya, Bangalore-33	**1.Smt Devi T.V w/o Sri** Vishwanath P, No.608, Veerabhadrappa Road, R.S. Palya, Bangalore-33 **2.Smt Shantha P** W/o Sri Palani, No.608, Veerabhadrappa Road, R.S. Palya, Bangalore-33	**Rs.15,63,758.00** as on 07.11.2020 with further interest and other charges

The above Borrowers/Guarantors have failed to repay the balance outstanding liability, notice is hereby given to them and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read Rule 8 of the said rules on this day of **09-11-2020.**

The Borrowers/Guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the SRI LAKSHMI MAHILA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA, Gandhi Bazaar, Bangalore-560004 for the total outstanding liability of **Rs.15,63,758-00** with further interest occurred thereon and other charges. The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-Section (8) or Section B of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured Asset.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.11/6, Katha No.11/6, situated at Ramaswamy Palya Village, kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 48+44/2 ft and North to South 22+24/2 ft, bounded as follows: East by: N Krishnappa's Property, West by: K Muniswamappa's Property, North by: Sangani's Property, South by: 20ft Road.

Date :09.11.2020
Place: Bangalore

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Name and Address of the Borrower, Co-Borrower /Guarantor/Mortgagor	Loan Account No. and Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be Enforced	Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs.
MR. THANIKACHALAM RAJESH, No.1090, 9th Main Road, 6th Cross, Prakash Nagar, Near Raghavendra Swamy Temple, Bangalore-560021. **Also at:** No.23/12, Flat No.301, 3rd Floor, Laxmi Paradise Apartment, 11th Cross, 5th Main, Lakshminarayanapura, Bangalore-560021 **(Borrower, Mortgagor and Guarantor). MRS. SOUJANYA A.R.,** No.1090, 9th Main Road, 6th Cross, Prakash Nagar, Near Raghavendra Swamy Temple, Bangalore-560021 **(Co-Borrower).**	**Loan Account No. LN0000000004924 / 809002074190** **Loan Sanctioned Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Only)**	All that piece and parcel of property in **"LAKSHMI PARADISE"** Apartment bearing Flat No.301, in the III Floor bearing BBMP Katha/property No.23/12, P.I.D.No. 24-49-23/12, 11th Cross, 5th Main, Lakshminarayana puram, Bangalore-560021, which has an undivided 259 Sq.Feet in total area of 5312 Sq.Feet and constructed portion of 1160 super built up area which has two bed rooms, one hall, one pooja room, a kitchen, attached bath room and toilet with car parking and two numbers two wheeler parking right in the covered parking acre in the basement of the apartment out of the total property **bounded: East by:** Private Property; **West by:** Road; **North by:** Road; **South by:** Conservancy.	**06.11.2020**	**Rs.55,28,012.51 (Rupees Fifty Five Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Twelve And Fifty One Paisa Only)** with further interest and charges thereon.

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Place: Bangalore, Date: 09.11.2020 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, RBL BANK Ltd.**

KARNATAKA STATE DRUG LOGISTICS AND WAREHOUSING SOCIETY (R)
No.1, Dr. Siddhaiah Puranik Road, KHB Colony, Magadi Road, Bangalore - 560 079. Ph: +91-80-23283218 Fax: +91-80-23281477
e-mail: ad.kdlws@gmail.com

No: HFW/LC/23/2020-21 Date:09.11.2020

Notification for Legal Manager

The existing KSDLWS is transformed from society to corporate as Karnataka State Medical Supplies Corporation Limited vide Govt. order No. **HFW 76 FPR 2019 dated: 25.08.2020.** One Legal manager post is to be recruited. Education Qualification & Experience and other related information is published on KSDLWS website: **www.kdlws.kar.nic.in** Last date for submission of application is on **01.12.2020**. E-mail ID for submitting application is **ksdlws.aao@gmail.com**. Application to other E-mail Id's will not be accepted

DIPR /DDU /1598/2020-21

Sd/- Director KSDLWS, Bangalore

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इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank इलाहाबाद ALLAHABAD

Kamala Nagar Branch, No.353/A, 354, West of Chord Road, 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Bangalore, 560 079,Karnataka

Possession Notice (for Immovable Property)
[Under Rule-8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002]

Where as: The undersigned being the authorised officer of the Indian Bank (erstwhile Allahabad Bank) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 03.03.2020 calling upon **1 .M/s SAP Polymers (Borrower) Represented by its Proprietor Sri Sundar Yadav Murthy #195, Byraveshwara Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore-560091 2. Sri S Yadav Murthy (Proprietor) S/o Late Sundar, #195,Byraveshwara Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore-560091 3. Smt Y Jhancy Rani (Guarantor & Mortgagor), W/o S Yadav Murthy, #195, Byraveshwara Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore-560091 4. Smt Y Jhancy Rani (Guarantor & Mortgagor) W/o S Yadav Murthy, No.24, 12th Cross, J C Nagar, Mahalakshmipura Post, Bangalore-560086** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being a sum of Rs. 15,90,869.00 (Rs. Fifteen Lakh Ninety Thousand Eighty Hundred Sixty Nine Only) within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **05TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **INDIAN BANK (ERSTWHILE ALLAHABAD BANK), KAMALANAGAR Branch** for an amount of of Rs. 15,90,869.00 (Rs. Fifteen Lakh Ninety Thousand Eighty Hundred Sixty Nine Only) as on 02.03.2020 and further interest, costs, charges and expenses thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The details of the assets/properties hypothecated/assigned/charged/mortgaged to our bank in the above account are given hereunder: MORTGAGE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES AND ASSETS IN FAVOUR OF INDIAN BANK (ERSTWHILE ALLAHABAD BANK),: All that piece and parcel of site bearing New Municipal No 24,Old No 5, formed in Sy No 19,PID No 13-72-24, New PID No 068-WO149-1, BBMP Ward No 13, admeasuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South:15 feet ,in total admeasuring 600 Sq Ft. , situated at 12th Cross, J C Nagar, Geleyarabalaga Layout, Laggere Village, Yashwanthpura, Bangalore, presently comes within limits of BBMP, Ward No 68 of Mahalakshmi Layout, Bangalore North Taluk and Bounded by: East: Property belong to Narasimhachari, West: Road, North: Property belong to K N Srinivasa Murthy,now private property, South: Remaining southern portion of the property having Sy No.5

Owner: Smt Y Jhancy Rani

Date : 05.11.2020 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Indian Bank**

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer (Elec.), East Zone,
16th Floor, Public Utility Building, M.G. Road, Bangalore - 560 002.

NO. BBMP/EE/ELE/East/TEND/10/2020-21 Date: 09.11.2020

SHORT TERM INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

Rate contract for implementation of Energy Efficiency Measures in Public Street Lighting System in Bengaluru under Shared Saving in BBMP Infrastructure gap.

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has executed an energy performance contract with the consortium of Shapoorji Pallonji And Company Pvt. Limited. SMC Infrastructures Pvt. Ltd. and Samudra Electronic System Pvt. Ltd. on March 1st 2019, to develop an energy efficient public street lighting network in the city of Bengaluru by implementing energy conservation measures to reduce energy consumption of public street lights, on a public private partnership basis.

As part of the Project, BBMP already appointed an Independent Engineer. Towards this, BBMP intends to invite proposals through the Gok e-procurement portal from competent entities for Rate Contract to augment Infrastructure gap.

1) The bid documents, including the Request For Proposal (RFP) and draft agreement can be downloaded from the e-procurement portal **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in from 09-11-2020 onwards. 2)** Pre-bid meeting : **13-11-2020 at 12.00 pm 3)** Bids must be submitted online through the e-procurement portal **on or before 21-11-2020 by 16.00 hrs. 4)** EMD : **Rs.10,50,000/-** is required to be submitted along with the bid. **5)** The technical bids will be opened **on 23-11-2020 at 11.30 hrs. 6)** The financial bids will be opened **on 24-11-2020 at 12.30 hrs.** Further details can be had from the website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer(Elec.), East Zone

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झारखण्ड सरकार
पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमंडल, सरायकेला

"शुद्धि पत्र"

P.R. No-234834 Drinking water & sanitation 2020-21 (D)

एतद द्वारा सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि निविदा सूचना संख्या– DWSD/SKL/RPWSS/04/ 2020-21 दिनांकः– 22.10.2020 को निम्नवत् हद तक संशोधित समझा जाय।

	पूर्व में	संशोधित
प्राक्कलित राशि	रू0 968.005 लाख	रू0 1002.68 लाख
अग्रधन की राशि	रू0 9.69 लाख	रू0 10.03 लाख
बैंक गारंटी एवं परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य जमा करने की तिथि एवं समय	04.12.2020, 10.00 बजे पूर्वाहन पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल, सरायकेला।	04.12.2020, 10.00 बजे पूर्वाहन से 1 बजे अपराहन तक पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल, सरायकेला।

पढ़ा जाय। शेष यथावत रहेगी।

कार्यपालक अभियन्ता
पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल
सरायकेला

PR 235573 (Drinking Water and Sanitation) 20-21 (D)

IN THE COURT OF THE I ADDL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C. MISC. No. 352/2020

BETWEEN: Smt. Muniyamma W/o Narasimhaiah, aged about 56 years,R/a No. 181, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Ayyappanagar, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 066.... **PETITIONER**

AND: The Tahsildhar, Registrar Of Births & Deaths, Bengaluru East Taluk ... **RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above petitioner had filed the petition for issue of Death Certificate of her father named as **KURESHAPPA @ MUNIYAPPA S/o MUNISHAMAPPA,** as he died on 08-03-1960 at No. 181, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Ayyappanagar, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 066.

If any person interested in this matter, may appear before the Hon'ble court either personally or through pleader duly instructed with objection if any on **27-11-2020** at 11. a.m failing which, the above case will be heard and decided Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of this court on 09-11-2020 at Bengaluru.

By Order of the Court, Sheristedar, Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner:
MANJUNATHA .B
Vakya Law Chambers No. 17 & 18 II Floor, 1st Cross, KHB Colony, Gandhinagar, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Undersigned counsel for the petitioner herewith filed a case on behalf of the petitioner **ANNAMMA ABRAHAM AND OTHERS,** v/s respondent the commissioner, register of birth and deaths, bbmp, bengalore at 36th acmm, bengalore, c.misc regarding the death of deceased name as **petitioner's father V.C.ABRAHAM SON of CHACKO VADASERY. expired on 18-07-2018 intestate at No. 43, Margondana halli, K R Puram, Bangalore-560036.** Interested parties are hereby call to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on the date 13/11/2020 at about 11.00 AM in form the show cause against the petitioner, failing where in the appearance will be heard and declare as Exparty. any person interested to file their objection in this matter within 7 days before the court as above on before.

B. MANJUNATHA, Advocate,
No. 04, 3rd Floor, MSKS Building, Sirur Park Road, Behind Nataraja Theatre, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560020. Mob. 9741277751. Dt. 9-11-2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Undersigned counsel for the petitioner herewith filed a case on behalf of the petitioner **RAZIYA BEGUM AND OTHERS,** v/s respondent the commissioner, register of birth and deaths, bbmp, bengalore at 36th acmm, bengalore, c.misc regarding the death of deceased name as **petitioner's Father SYED JAMAL @ SYED KHASIM expired on 13-07-2017 intestate at Devasandra, K.R.Puram, Bangalore-560016.** Interested parties are hereby call to appear this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on the date 13/11/2020 at about 11:00 AM in form the show cause against the petitioner, failing where in the appearance will be heard and declare as Exparte. any person interested to file their objection in this matter within 7 days before the court as above on before.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client has entered into agreement of sale to purchase the immovable property, described in schedule below, from **Smt. Anasuya Divecha, Sri. Sanjay Divecha,** represented by GPA holder Sri. Vijay Divecha and Sri. Vijay Divecha residing at Flat No.1701, Sabari Horizon, flat No.1701, Deonar Farm Road, Deonar Mumbai-400088 who are represented by Sri. S. Nandakumar S/o. D. Somasundaram at Bangalore.

The general public is hereby notified that, anybody having any claim/s or right over the schedule property shall notify their claim in writing with the undersigned on or before **7 days** from the date of this notification. If no valid claim is made within **7 days,** my client will proceed to complete the purchase and no third party claims will be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece parcel of the Site No. 186, formed in Sy Nos. 2, 3/5, 6, 8/2, 3, 52/1, 2, 53/1 to 4, 54 part 57/1 to 8 102/1 to 8(a), 9, 104/1,2,3, 105/1, 3, Layout formed by 'NGEF Employees' House Layout Building Co-operative Society Limited, situated at Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently within the BBMP limits ward No.129, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 40' [Forty Feet] and North to South: 30' [Thirty Feet], totally measuring 1200 Square feet or 133.33 Sq Yards, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface, and bounded on the:

East by : Site No.185, **West by** : Road
North by : Road, **South by** : Site No.187.

SACHIDANANDA. K, Advocate
"SAI SAMBRUTHA" No.24(S), 80 Ft Service Road, 1st Stage, 2nd Phase, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560040.
e-mail : lexproficiency@gmail.com.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the general public that my client proposed to purchase the schedule property from Smt. Padma H.D. W/o Venkataramaiah and Sri K.V. Venkataramaiah S/o Veerabhadraiah, both residing at No. 22, Venkatadri Nilaya, Near Indiranagar Bus Stand, Nagasandra Post, Doddabidarakallu, Bangalore-560 073.

That if any person/s, Bank/s, Authorities has/ have any objections for the proposed sale transactions or claims any kind whatsoever on the schedule property may lodged their claims/objections with documentary proof within **(7)** seven days from the date of publication of this notice with the undersigned, failing which thereafter my client shall proceed to complete the sale transaction and any claims received thereafter will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Northern portion of No. 22, New Katha No. 7945, Old Katha No. 67/48, Assessment Number 26/8 and 25/15, Doddabidarakallu Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, comes within the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 40, Bangalore-560 073 and bounded on :

East by : Site No. 14,
West by : Road,
North by : Site No. 21.
South by : Southern portion of Site No. 22

YOGESH H., Advocate
No. 25, 1st Main Road, 4th Cross, A.G.B. Layout, Saraswathipura Main Road, Nandini Layout, Bangalore-560 096.
Mobile: 9901955966

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby notified that one of our clients proposes to purchase the property described in the Schedule herein from Mr. Suresh D Khasnis, S/o. D.B. Khasnis, currently residing at No. D/9, Mutual CHS, Mahim, Mumbai-400016. He has purchased the said schedule property via auction sale deed executed by Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) on 09.01.2001, registered as Document No-3289/2000-01 of Book No-I, stored in Volume No. 64, Pages 214 to 218 in the office of the Additional District Registrar, Bangalore.

Persons objecting for the proposed purchase or having any rights in the below mentioned property may lodge their objections and/or claims with the undersigned along with the supporting documentary evidence within 10 days from the date of this publication and/or claims received thereafter will not be binding on our client and client will proceed to purchase the below mentioned property as if there are no claims/objections.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable BDA Site bearing No 1430, presently having PID No 56-41-1430, measuring East to West 75.00 feet & North to South 50.00 feet, totally admeasuring 3750 Square feet situated at Banashankari 2nd Stage Extension, Bangalore and comes within the jurisdictional limits of BBMP Ward No 165 of Ganeshmandira, Bangalore and bounded on the;

East by: BDA Site No 1431; West by: Road; North by: Road and South by: BDA Site No 1429

Adv. Anupam Agarwal
No. 1211, 12th Floor, B Wing, Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560 001.
anupam@rslegal.in M: 97406 45762
Date: 10/11/2020 Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, **KRISHNA. M,** S/o Mr. Marappa, aged about 42 years, R/at No.299/4, St. Joseph Layout, Begur Main Road, Near Canara Bank, Begur Branch, Bangalore 560068, I have lost the following Documents:

a) Original Sale Deed dated 18.05.2016, registered as Document No.992/2016, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Rayakottai, Krishnagiri District, Tamilnadu.
b) Original of Electricity meter allotment letter for 7.5 HP,
c) Originals of 2 Borewell permission letters along with various bills.
d) Original Bills of expenses incurred for 5 HP Motor installed in my land,
e) Original papers related to Drip irrigation subsidy given by the Government.

The said documents were lost when I was shifting process. A Police Complaint has been lodged with regard to the Loss of the Said Sale Deed on 08.10.2020, So I request the general public if any found the said original documents please inform and contact me in the above said address. Contact No: 9738145959.

Karnataka Bank Ltd.
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Regd. & Head Office, P.B.No.599, Mahaveera Circle, Kankanady, Mangaluru-575002 Dakshina Kannada District	Phone : 0824-2228145/107 E-Mail: legal.recovery@ktkbank.com Website: www.karnatakabank.com CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

LEGAL AND RECOVERY DEPARTMENT

Mr.P.N.Shivaramaiah, S/o Mr.Narasayya,
No.10/6, 7th Cross, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Magadi Road, Bengaluru-560023

The credit facility under **PS Term Loan A/c No.0647001800202701 for Rs.19.80 Lakhs availed by One Mrs.Latha M.U. & you Mr.P.N.Shivaramaiah as the Borrowers at our Bengaluru-Rajajinagar Branch** has been classified as Non Performing Asset on **19.08.2019** and that action under SARFAESI Act has been initiated by issuing a detailed Demand Notice under Section 13(2) & (3) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 by the Authorised officer of the Bank on **17.08.2020** to the parties concerned. The said Demand Notice sent by speed post with acknowledgement to you has been returned undelivered. Hence, we have published the contents of the Demand Notice by way of this Notice by observing the procedures laid down in the SARFAESI Act 2002. **The total aggregate balance as on 17.08.2020 is Rs.13,54,697=50 (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Fifty Four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Seven And Paise Fifty Only)** under **PSTL A/c No.0647001800202701** with future rate of interest @ 9.50% compounded monthly with effect from **20.07.2020. You are called upon to pay the same within 60 days from the date of this paper publication.**

Brief description of the mortgaged property (secured asset)

All that part and parcel of Residential Site measuring 600 Sq.ft, bearing Old No.10/2, Present No.10/2-1, PID No.31-32-10/2-1, situated at 8th Main Road, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Kempapura Agrahara, Mariyappanapalaya, Magadi Road, Bengaluru along with building constructed thereon measuring 1573 Sq.ft belonging to Mrs.Latha M.U.

Please note that I, the Authorised Officer of the secured creditor Bank intend to enforce the aforesaid security in the event of failure to discharge your liabilities in full on or before the expiry of 60 days from the date of this publication.

Further, your attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, wherein the time for redemption of mortgage is available only up to the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting tenders.

Place: Mangaluru — Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer
Date: 10.11.2020 — For Karnataka Bank Ltd.,

RAIL COACH FACTORY KAPURTHALA

On-line bids are invited by PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India for following items:-

S. No.	Tender No. & Due Date	Description	Quantity (Nos./Sets)	EMD (Rs.)
1	05201351 / 04.12.2020	Set of Roof Elements for LHB Coaches	925 Set	773890/-
2	05201473 / 09.12.2020	Pillar (6 Types)	24211 Nos.	253460/-
3	05201418 / 16.12.2020	Set of Final Roof Element Complete	538 Set	210900/-
4	05201416A / 02.12.2020	Front Part	21 Nos.	78320/-
5	05201423A / 07.12.2020	Integerated WTCC for Antyodaya Coaches	843 Nos.	1094280/-
6	07201370 / 08.12.2020	Fixing Clip 72MM DIA	34700 Nos.	NIL
7	02201197 / 02.12.2020	Emergency Lighting System for EOG type LHB Coaches	681 Set	240240/-
8	07201286 / 08.12.2020	Interlock Washer Suitable for M16 Bolt. PL No. 33672593	27900 Nos.	NIL
9	05201466 / 03.12.2020	Battery Box Assembly Schedule of Infrastructural Requirements	630 Nos.	358110/-

(1) For details and making On-line bids, visit Website **http://ireps.gov.in** Drawings / Specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF Website : **http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in** Class IIIb digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at **http://www.cce.gov.in** **(2)** Tenders will close at 14:25 Hrs. on due date and tender will be opened at 14:30 Hrs. **Tenders Sr. No. 1 to 9** will be opened at Tilak Bridge, New Delhi. **(3)** For queries, contact IREPS Helpdesk at 011-24102855, 011-24105180 or RCF helpdesk at 011-23378658.

PCMM

CORRIGENDUM

The following amendment is authorized against **Tender No. 17201461** for **Electro-Pneumatic Pressurised Flushing System for LHB Coaches. Regarding** : Due Date. **Existing Entry** : 11.11.2020. **To be Read as** : 02.12.2020.

PCMM

Notice No. : G-122-01 / Store / 087 / 2020-21 Dated : 09.11.2020

Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd.
Regd. Office: Reliance Centre, 6th Floor, North Wing, Off. Western Express Highway, Santacruz (East), Mumbai- 400055

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

You the below mentioned borrowers/Guarantors/mortgagors have availed financial assistance of **Rs.10,28,000/-** from GE Countrywide Consumer Financial Services Limited by creating security interests on movable/immovable properties to secure the repayment of loans. Later the said loan account was acquired by Magma Fincorp Limited you have defaulted in repayment of loans, your loan account has been classified as Non-performing assets (NPA) by Magma Fincorp Limited and the Magma Fincorp Limited on 31/01/2017 and in accordance with the guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India. Executed vide., Assignment Agreement dated 24/03/2017 assigned the financial assets of **1) Mr.Krishna Murthy S H, S/o. S H Mayappa and 2)Mrs.Shanthamma, W/o. S H Krishna Murthy, and both 1 & 2 are residing at Sy.No.242,Maruthi Nilaya, Patalamma Layout,Kadugodi, Bangalore-560 067,** Karnataka along with all its title, claim and interest together with all underlying security interests in favour of us in capacity as a trustee of Reliance ARC 027 Trust.

Pursuant to said assignment the undersigned authorised officer in exercise of powers conferred u/s 13(2) of the said Act r/w Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had sent the demand notices dated 20/10/2020 through registered post thereby calling upon you to repay the entire outstanding mentioned in said notices with further interest thereon within a period of 60 days from the date of Notice. However, as demand notices could not be served upon some of you, the same is hereby served upon you by way of alternative mode of service.

Details are as follows:-

Name & Add of Borrower/ Guarantors/ Mortgagors etc	Amount Outstanding (Rs.)
01. **Mr.Krishna Murthy S H** S/o. S H Mayappa S.No.242,Maruthi Nilaya, Patalamma Layout,Kadugodi, Bangalore-560067 Karnataka 02. **Mrs.Shanthamma** W/o.S H Krishna Murthy S.No.242,Maruthi Nilaya, Patalamma Layout,Kadugodi, Bangalore-560067 Karnataka	**Rs. 20,74,349.31/-** (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Three Hundred Forty Nine and Thirty One Paisa Only) as on 15/10/2020 with future interest thereon @ 18% per annum till the date of realization

DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY

All the piece and parcels of land measuring 01 gunta in Sy.No.242, situated at Kadugodi Village, Biddarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk Now within the limits of CMC Mahadevapura and **bounded on the East By:** 15 Feet Road, **West By:** Property of Pillappa, **North By:** Remaining portion of the same property sold to Channabasavaiah, **South By:** Remaining portion of the same Property sold to Sunandamma.

In case you fail to repay the aforesaid entire outstanding amount within a period of 60 days, the undersigned shall be constrained to enforce the above secured assets under the provisions of SARFAESI Act.

Please note that as per Section 13 (13) of the said Act, you are restrained from dealing with or transferring any of the secured assets referred to herewith, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise. Any contravention of this provision is an offence and punishable under SARFAESI Act.

Place:- Bangalore — Swetha Muthappa
Date :- 09.11.2020 — Authorised Officer, Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, V. Nagamani, W/o. Late S. N. Murthy, aged about 65 years, residing at No.845, 23rd Main, II Phase, J. P. Nagar, Bangalore- 560 078, has lost original Share Certificate of Aegis Logistics Limited, having Folio No.S02114, Certificate No.7537, Distinctive Nos.1159861 to 11600220, 1660 Equity Shares which was standing in the name late S. N. Murthy i.e., my husband and father of M. Shashikala, Chandrakal. P. Rao and Swarnakala. M. All my daughters have given me no objection to have succession certificate and later myself and my daughters have filed P & SC case, the same has been numbered as P & SC No.32/2019 before the City Civil Judge at Bangalore (CCH- 66). The Hon'ble Court allowed the above petition on 21.08.2019. Now I have applied for issuing duplication shares in my name. The registrar's of the company have advised me to release an advertisement in a newspaper. Hence this advertisement. We have not handed over the shares nor transacted/pledged with respect to the above said shares with anybody.

Bangalore **V. NAGAMANI**
Date 10.11.2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that my client **Mr. Ammanath Manikutty Divakaran** S/o Maikutty .A.M, aged about 63 years, R/at: Ammanath House, Poomangalam, Edakulam, Mukundapuram, Thrisur, Kerala. PRESENT ADDRESS: No.80/2, 1st Cross, 4th Main Road, Near Government School, Kormangala, Bengaluru. He has lost his original registered sale deed Vide registered document No.4167/1993 of Book No.1, dated: 29/09/1993 registered in the office of Hosur, in respect of property bearing Sy No.138/1A.

In this regard my client has also preferred a police complaint on 07/11/2020 before the Inspector of police, Anekal Police station and the police taken complaint on file on 07/11/2020 in C-MISS No.199/2020, that my client has not created any charge over the properties covered under the above said document. If found, the document may kindly be delivered to the undermentioned address, any objection from the concerned public will not be entertained or bind my client after **7 days** from the date of this public notice.

VIKRAM .H.V, Advocate
No.7, 1st Floor, STB Complex, Near Civil Court, Attibele Road, Anekal Town, Bengaluru District, Ph: 9880462590.

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank — **Branch Office:** ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Durai Venkadesh R And Lavanya No 16 D No 168 P S F No 190 Annai Sathya Nagar Mookanadapalli Village Hosur Town Taluksy No 190 Tamil Nadu Hosur- 635109./ LBHSR00002353451, LBHSR00002353452	In Mookondapalli Village Of Hosur Taluk Attached To The Registration District Of Krishnagiri And Sub Registration District Of Hosur And Also Attached To The Village Panchayat Limits Of Mookondapalli And Union Council Of Hosur, Now Attached To The Hosur Municipality. Survey Numbers.190, Dry Extent In Hec. 1,44.0, Asst. Rs. 7.12 Out Of This An Extent Of Acre.0.34 1/2 Cents Land Has Been Converted Into House Plots In This Plot No.16 (Sixteen) Belongs To The Vendor In The Aforesaid Manner And The Same Is Now Being Sold To The Purchaser And Bounded As Follows:- East: S. No.190- Part Land West: 20 Feet Wide Road North: Plot No.15 South: Plot No.17 Within These Boundaries Measuring East To West On North Side- 50 Feet East To West On South Side- 50 Feet North To South On East Side- 30 Feet North To South On West Side- 30 Feet. / Date Of Symbolic Possession 05.11.2020	30.12.2019 Rs. 32,41,773.00/-	Hosur

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date : 10-11-2020
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

SREE THYAGARAJA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED
Head Office: No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore – 560 019. Telephone:22958156, 22958157.

POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 18(1) (for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of the Sree Thyagaraja Cooperative Bank Limited, H.O.No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore – 560 019 under the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord.3 of 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers / legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers / legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers / legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule. The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Sree Thyagaraja Co-operative Bank Limited, Head Office No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore – 560 019.

Sl. No.	Name of the Loanee	Particulars of immovable property & measurement :	Balance Outstanding	Possession taken on
		DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES - HEAD OFFICE BRANCH		
1	1) Sri.Narayana V.S 2) Smt. Ratnanarayana 3) Sri. Santhosh.N	All that part and parcel of the property bearing New Municipal No. 56/1, PID No. 22-78-56/1, No. 642, 62nd Cross, 5th Block, Sriramamandira, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-10, Consisting of building area of First, Second and Third Floor Building ad measuring 1950 Sq. Ft along with proportionate undivided right, interest and title in the land measuring 32x40 feet East by : Site No. 643, West by : Site No. 641, North by : Site No. 677, South by : Road.	Rs. 25,68,058=00	06.11.2020
		DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES - BSK 3rd Stage Branch		
2	1) Sri. Ashok Kumar.S 2) Smt. Mamatha.K.R	**Annexure-Schedule Property-1 :** All that piecel and parcel of the immovable property bearing Flat No. 58/2, Ground Floor, Measuring super built up area of 655 sq.ft along with one car parking area including 300 sq.ft undivided right, interest and title in the Building known as "ASHIRWAD APARTMENTS" constructed in the property bearing No. 58/2, situated at 6th Main 6th Cross, Thyagarajanagar, Bangalore East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Private Property, South by : Road. **Annexure Schedule Property-2 :** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing New Municipal No. 15/8, PID No. 51-98-15/8, Old No. 15, situated at 1st Block, Thyagarajanagar, Bangalore-560028 Measuring East to West 36 feet and North to South 41 feet Totally 2640 Sq. Bounded on: East by : Property of Smt. Thayamma, West by : Property of Sri. Chikkamuniyapp, North by : Passage & Property of Smt. Lakshmidevi, South by : Property of Sri. Lakkanna.	Rs. 25,88,341=00	06.11.2020

Date : 06.11.2020 — Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bangalore — Sree Thyagaraja Cooperative Bank Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the General Public that, my Client, Sri Madhukar H.S., S/o Late Sri H.D. Shantha Raju, R/at to 312, Madhu Nilaya, 10th cross, K.R. Puram, Bangalore, has lost the Original documents viz., 1. Sale Deed dated 07.07.1999, executed by Smt. C. Susheela, W/o Sri G.T. Ramaswamy in favour of Smt. C. Umadevi, W/o Sri H.D. Shantharaju, registered in the office of the Sub Registrar Krishnarajapura, as no. 2530/1999-2000 of Book I, 2. Betterment Charges paid Receipt of Rs. 10,710/- dated 6.4.2000 3. Khatha Certificate dated 9.9.2002 with respect to the Schedule property mentioned below. The Documents has been lost while travelling in a Bus and has lodged a Police Complaint with regard to the same on 6.11.2020. Any person who found the above said documents may kindly be hand over the same to the undersigned within 15 days from the date of this Notice.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel in respect of the Residential property bearing Site No.11, New Khatha No. 590/70/2/11/575/575 Old I.T.I.N.A. Khatha No. 400/2/70/3/11, Devasandra Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore, now comes under the limits of BBMP, measuring East to West: 30 sq.ft and North to South towards Eastern side 32 sq.ft and towards Western side 30 sq.ft., and is bounded on the **East by:** Property bearing No.12, **West by:** Property bearing No.10, **North by:** Narayanappa's Property, **South by:** 20 ft., Road.

RUKMINI .N, Advocate
164, 6th 'B' Cross, Gandhinagar Bengaluru-560 009.

Indian Overseas Bank
Regional office, 3rd Floor, Lakshmi Narayanan Complex, 10/1, Palace Road, Vasanth nagar, Bangalore- 560052. Ph. No.: 080-22950320/205, Email ID: 0800ard@iob.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE SECURED ASSETS
[Under Proviso to Rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules]

E-auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Overseas Bank, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is","As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 11.12.2020**, for recovery of the below mentioned dues to the Indian Overseas Bank, Secured Creditor from the below mentioned Borrowers. The reserve price will be **as mentioned below** (0.75% Income Tax on sale consideration of above Rs.50 Lacs to be borne by the successful bidder separately) and the earnest money deposit will be **as mentioned below :**

E-auction for the following Non-Performing Assets accounts:

Mahalakshmipuram Branch, Bangalore, Ph.: 080-22950322/323, Mob.: 9791553332

1 **Name of the Account:** M/s. Archstone Infrastructure and Development Company (Partnership Firm),
Guarantor: (1) Mr. Ramesh K., S/o. Keshavan Rangan Kuppuswamy, (2) Mr. K. N. Rathnakar, S/o. Late Ninge Gowda, (3) Mr. Arjun B., S/o. K.N. Balasubramanyam.
Loan A/c No.: 177502000000588
Outstanding Dues: Rs. 5,21,82,608.02 + interests and costs thereon and less payments made if any

Security Details:
Schedule 1: All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property Measuring 27 Guntas plus 26 Guntas at Sy. No. 39/2 and 9 Guntas in Sy. No. 39/3P1 of Anagalli Village, Belagola Hobli, Srirangapatna Taluk. **Bounded on the** East by: Lands of Rajegowda, West by: Lands of Venkatesh Gowda, North by: Lands of Chandregowda, South by: Lands of Venkatesh Gowda.
Schedule 2: All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property Measuring 3.11 Acres bearing Sy. No. 41/I, Anagalli Village, Belagola Hobli, Srirangapatna Taluk. **Bounded on the** East by: Lands of Arjun and Venkatesh, West by: Lands of Govinde Gowda, North by: Lands of Chandregowda, South by: Lands of Venkatesh Gowda & Gadi Dasegowda.
Schedule 3: All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property Measuring 1.16 Acres bearing Sy. No. 45/3P1 of Anagalli Village, Belagola Hobli, Srirangapatna Taluk. **Bounded on the** East by: Lands of Chandregowda, West by: Lands of Venkatesh Gowda, North by: Lands of Venkatesh, South by: Lands of Chandre Gowda.
Schedule 4: All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property Measuring 5.04 Acres bearing Sy. No. 47/P1 of Anagalli Village, Belagola Hobli, Srirangapatna Taluk. **Bounded on the** East by: Lands of Marigowda's Garden, West by: Lands of Rajegowda, North by: Lands of Arjun, South by: Rly lane and Road.
Schedule 5: All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property Measuring 29 Guntas bearing Sy. No. 96/2 of Anagalli Village, Belagola Hobli, Srirangapatna Taluk. **Bounded on the** East by: Lands of Chandregowda, West by: Lands of Chandregowda, North by: Lands of Venkatesh Gowda, South by: Rly lane.
Above properties on converted Non Agriculture purpose, Vide Order No. ALN 400/2005-6 Dated: 18-04-2006, by Deputy Commissioner, Mandya District, Mandya.
All The above properties are in the name of Sri. Arjun B., S/o. Sri. K.N. Balasubramanyam.

Reserve Price: Rs. 5,77,00,000.00 — **EMD:** Rs. 57,70,000.00

Date and Time of Auction: 11.12.2020 between 11:00 am to 04:00 pm.
Minimum Bid Increase Amount: Rs. 10,000/-, **Auto Extension of** - 10 Minutes, **Known Encumbrance if any:** NIL
Inspection Date and Time: The property can be inspected on any working day between 10:00 am and 05:00 pm. Please contact the Branch Managers in the contact numbers as mentioned above.
Submission of online application for Bid with EMD starts from: 11.11.2020.
Last date for submitting bid: 10.12.2020 before 05:00 pm.
For detailed Terms & Conditions please visit the following websites:
1) www.iob.in[https://www.iob.in/TenderDetails.aspx?Tendertype=E_Auction]
2) https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi
Contact Numbers: 080-22950320/205

Date : 09.11.2020
Place : Bangalore

For Indian Overseas Bank
Sd/-
Authorised Officer

Note: This also may be treated as a Notice under Rule 8(6)/ Rule 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s of the said loan about holding of e-auction on the above mentioned date. Bank reserves its right to defer or cancel the sale at any point of time without assigning any reason. Advertisement matter published in English will prevail in case of any discrepancy.

IDFC FIRST Bank Limited
(Erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)
CIN : L65110TN2014PLC097792
Registered Office: - KRM Towers, 8th Floor, Harrington Road, Chetpet, Chennai- 600031.
Tel : +91 44 4564 4000 | Fax: +91 44 4564 4022

Notice under Section 13 (2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

The following borrowers and co-borrowers availed the below mentioned secured loans from **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** The loans of the below-mentioned borrowers and co- borrowers have been secured by the mortgage of their respective properties. As they have failed to adhere to the terms and conditions of the respective loan agreements and had become irregular, their loan were classified as NPA as per the RBI guidelines. Amounts due by them to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** are mentioned as per respective notices issued more particularly described in the following table and further interest on the said amounts shall also be applicable and the same will be charged as per contractual rate with effect from their respective dates.

Sr No.	Loan Account No.	Type of Loan	Name of borrowers and co-borrowers	Section 13 (2) Notice Date	Outstanding amount as per Section 13 (2) Notice	Property Address
1	21311181	Home Loan	1. Veeresh N T 2. Madhuri C M	26-10-2020	Rs. 4,38,05,930.63	**Schedule 'A' Property:** All the piece and parcel of the property consisting of All that Property bearing Municipal No. 123, situated at Infantry Road, Municipal Ward No. 78 of Vasanthanagar, Bangalore and in all approximately measuring 10397 sq. ft. Out of 12059 Sq. Ft. and bounded by : North - Infantry Road, South : Private Property, East : Road , West : Private Property **Schedule 'B' Property:** 450 Sq. ft. of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule 'C' Property:** Residential Flat Bearing No. 402, comprising of 3 BHK, in Fourth Floor of 'PRISTINE VARA' being built in Schedule 'A' Property and having Super built Up Area 2500 Sq. ft. (Carpet area measuring 1665 Sq. Ft.), and right to use common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common usage and one covered car parking space in basement and bounded on - North : Flat No. 401 of Pristine Vara, South : Private Property, East : Private Property, West : Private Property

You are hereby called upon to pay the amounts to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** as per the details shown in the above table with contracted rate of interest thereupon from their respective dates and other costs, charges etc., within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to initiate proceedings, under Section 13 (4) and section 14 of the SARFAESI Act, against the mortgaged properties mentioned hereinabove to realize the amount due to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** . Further you are prohibited under Section 13 (13) of the said Act from transferring the said secured assets either by way of sale/lease or otherwise.

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
IDFC First Bank Limited
(erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)

Date : 10.11.2020
Place : Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client sanctioned housing loan in favour of **Sri. Vasantha Kumar. C. M,** by depositing the title deeds pertaining to the property bearing Eastern Portion of Site No.72, formed in property Nos. 378 & 375/2, Khata No. 227/2, Situated at Kalkere Village, now coming under the purview of BBMP Bangalore measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 50 feet, in all measuring 1500 sq feet, along with RCC roofed building thereon to the extent of 1250 sq feet, consisting of ground floor. Whereas my client states that, during at the time of existing mortgage M/S Writer Information Management Services, the custodian of the original documents on behalf of M/s DHFL have misplaced below mentioned original documents pertaining to the above property.

1. Sale deed dated 18.11.2011, executed by Manjunath DV in favour of Gowthaman. R and Karunagaran. P, (Document No. BNS-1-7198/2011-12, SRO, Banaswadi)
2. Sale deed dated 03.03.2012, executed by Gowthaman. R and Karunagaran. P in favour of Vasantha Kumar. C. M (Document No KRI-1-08392/2011-12, SRO-KRPuram)

Whereas my client has made search of the said original documents, in spite of its best efforts, the above said original documents has not been traced out so far. In this behalf my client has lodged complaint on 06.11.2020 vide lost report no. 142148/2020 in Crime branch Bangalore City Police. If anybody is having custody over the above mentioned documents or finds the same they shall communicate/ contact me with original documents to the below mentioned address.

SRI. PRASHANTH. KUMAR. K, "LEX FACTUM", Advocates and Legal Consultants, No.365, First Floor, 57 "C" Cross, Near Bhashyam Circle, Rajajinagar 3rd Block, Bangalore-560 010 Contact No: 9901296858/080-2340442.

QuoteExpress

IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL, KEEP GOING

— WINSTON CHURCHILL

TÜV Rheinland, a global leader in independent technical services recently appointED Arun Deshpande as Managing Director for ITS India operations. Prior to this, Deshpande was the Managing Director for SGS, Canada

LAC ROW

INDIA SHOULD HOLD ITS POSITION IN LADAKH AGAINST CHINA: EXPERT

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

THE over six-month-long standoff between India and China "could be the new normal," says well-known author, historian, Tibetologist Claude Arpi. In an exclusive interview with *The New Indian Express*, Arpi spoke about Beijing's plans to develop Xiaokangs (moderately well off and tech connected villages), most of which are along the LAC, to have a safe base for its military operations and to "appropriate the reincarnation of the Dalai Lama process." Arpi is the author of a quadrilogy on the India-Tibet relations (1947-1962) and holds the Field Marshal KM Cariappa Chair of Excellence at the United Service Institution of India for research on the subject. Excerpts from an interview:

How long do you think the India-China standoff will last in East Ladakh?
I think it will go on till at least the end of the winter, if not beyond that. It may be permanent (perhaps on a smaller scale), a new normal. It is difficult for Xi Jinping to publicly lose face and go back to the April position. The most pressing issue for India is to hold its position in Ladakh and not go for any type of compromise.

Q&A

China has developed around 200 villages along the LAC. Is this a move to keep the border under control?
In 2015, Chinese President Xi Jinping mentioned his well-known theory about the border areas. He said, "governing border areas is the key for governing a country, and stabilising Tibet". Since May this year, we have understood that China wants to stabilise and control its borders with India, to have a safe base for its military operations. The Sixth Tibet Work Forum (TWF), held in August 2015, had also decided on several poverty alleviation schemes, particularly the construction of hundreds of Xiaokangs (moderately well-off villages), some particularly close to the border with India. Tibetans call them ghettos. Beijing's rationale behind developing the border villages is that it is easier to control sedentary 'masses' in well-connected villages, that is, via wifi and surveillance cameras. It is a fact that today the whereabouts and actions of all the 'resettled' villagers can be controlled through their mobile phones and other surveillance gadgets. The development of these strategic villages is a crucial way to 'govern the borders' and has serious implications for India's defence, as the demography of the border areas will be slowly changed by this. Many of these villages are located all along the Indian border from Rutok in Ngari Prefecture in the West to Rima (opposite Kibithu) in the Lohit valley in the East. A few model villages have been built on the Chinese side of the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in Ladakh, others north of the McMahon Line in Tsona area.

Besides using muscle and money power, is China now trying to appropriate ancient Tibetan medicinal and cultural heritage by going to UNESCO for a certificate?
China believes that Tibet belongs to it since immemorial times (at least since the Yuan dynasty, which ironically, was Mongol and not Chinese). Therefore, everything Tibetan is Chinese. Whether it is medicine, architecture, opera, literature or even the reincarnation system, it belongs to China. Beijing is keen to get this recognised by an international institution like UNESCO. But the Tibetan system of medicine - 'Sowa Rigpa'- is far more Indian than Chinese, by its origin, concept and philosophy.

Is China working on a post-Dalai Lama era? Who will fill the vacuum after the present His Holiness the Dalai Lama?What will it mean for India?
China is definitively working hard on the post-Dalai Lama period. The atheist Communist Party wants the Dalai Lama to be reborn in China. Beijing plans to appropriate the reincarnation process. We can only hope that the Dalai Lama will leave clear instructions. He has said many times that he wants to come back in a free country. See how the Chinese Panchen Lama was selected, while the rightful one is still kept in custody somewhere in China. Photos of The Dalai Lama are banned in Tibet; he is shown as a villain.

For India, the Dalai Lama is important, first because he represents the Nalanda Buddhist tradition, and also because he is the symbol of the kinship between the people of Tibet and India.

How important it is for India to keep alive the occupation of Tibet by the Chinese a world issue?
India has 4,056 km of border with China. It is not easy, especially in the present time, to open a new front. But India should have a proper Tibet policy and promote Tibetan culture, arts, medicine, spirituality, etc. It should give greater official pre-eminence to the Dalai Lama. I think it is important for India to watch China's Information Warfare (IW). All over the world, Beijing tries to influence people, through an organization called the United Front Work Department. Billions of dollars are poured to 'influence' people, in the media, universities, etc. This is bound to increase. It should be watched carefully.

Lady Sri Ram student kills self in Telangana

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

IN a heart-wrenching incident, Ganta Aishwarya Reddy, a student of Lady Shri Ram College for Women in Delhi ended her life at her home in Shadnagar in Telangana on November 2 after she was forced to vacate hostel due to lockdown and her parents were unable to buy her a laptop to enable her to attend online classes.

The tragic end to her and her ambitions became known belatedly when the students took up her case and began organising protests. On Monday, too the students protested at Shadnagar, demanding justice for her.

The 19-year-old, who wanted to become an IAS officer, decided she was not lucky enough to pursue her dream and chose to end her life.

A note written in Telugu recovered by the police after her suicide, read, " I am a burden and my education is also a burden on my family. I cannot live without studying."

The girl who was in her second second year degree course at the College, returned home due to the pandemic. She was initially following online classes on her mobile phone, but as it was becoming difficult, she asked her father Srinivas Reddy, a bike mechanic to buy her a laptop, at least a second hand one.

In September, she had also written to actor Sonu Sood explaining her situation and asking for help. Aspiring to become an IAS officer, Aishwarya had been a topper even from the school days and joined the prestigious college, after being mentored by her lectures while she was in Intermediate.

Her parents said that when Aishwarya got admission to the college in 2019, they had mortgaged their house for Rs 2 lakh and they are still repaying the loan. " She told me that the scholarship is also getting delayed and asked for a laptop. When I told her to wait for a few days, she did not ask again," her father Srinivas said.

Srinivas recounted how she was asked to vacate the college hostel, as the accommodation is available only for first year students and other students have to make their own arrangements. After she received a communication from the college, Aishwarya informed them that she would vacate on November 7. But she was worried as private accommodation would cost her more than Rs 10,000 per month.

On the night of November 2, she was found hanging at her home in Shadnagar. A Sreedhar Kumar, Inspector Shadnagar said, a case has been registered and investigation is underway. " We are probing into all angles. The postmortem examination report is also awaited," he said.

Meanwhile, Congress MP Rahul Gandhi extended condolences to the family of Aishwarya Reddy.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SREEKUTTY

Sreekutty, a baby elephant, savours her birthday cake as she turns one, in Kerala on Monday. Officials of Kappukadu elephant rehabilitation centre organised a grand celebration and fed her a cake made of sugarcane, jaggery and pineapples. She was also presented with a shawl. It was an important event for forest officials too as it marks the day they rescued her, when she was just a month old | BP DEEPU

EXPRESS READ

Two arrested with ganja worth Rs 3 crore in Kerala

Palakkad: The District Anti-Narcotic Special Action Force and the Palakkad South police seized 296 kg of dry ganja valued at ₹3 crore from two men near the Manjakulam mosque on Monday morning. The arrested are Venkateswarlu Reddy, 35, of Andhra Pradesh, and Vinod Kumar, 35, of Tamil Nadu. ENS

Drunk driving claims life of a medico in Hyderabad

Hyderabad: Drunk driving claimed the life of a medical student at Gachibowli in the early hours of Monday. P Priyanka died when the Volvo car she was travelling crashed into a tree. Police found that her friend Mithi Modi, who was at the wheel at the time of accident, was under the influence of alcohol. ENS

Man sentenced to 12 years rigorous imprisonment for rape, extortion

Kochi: The Ernakulam Additional District and Sessions Court sentenced a 33-year-old man to 12 years of rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs 25,000 for rape and extortion in connection with a case registered in North Paravur in 2011. The convict, Sibin, is a resident of Vadakkekkara. ENS

Trains to run at 100 kmph on Yelahanka, C'ballapur line

ENS @Bengaluru

AFTER a gap of 13 years, trains on the Yelahanka-Chikballapur section will now begin running at an increased speed of 100 kmph, which is currently 75 kmph. With this, a total of eight stretches in South Western Railway now have the capability of running trains at an enhanced speed.

"Speed tests were conducted at 110 kmph, an additional 10 km, but trains will run only at a maximum speed of 100 km," said Chief Public Relations Officer, SWR, E Vijaya. The following sections have been authorised to run at 110 km speed: Baiyappanahalli-Dharmavaram, Penukonda-Sri Sathya Sai Prashanthi Nilayam-Dharmavaram, KSR Bengaluru-Jolarpettai (Double Line), Yesvantpur-Tumakuru (Double Line) and Birur-Chikjajur.

"SWR is taking up works to increase the speed of its sections by carrying out track renewal works, which enable trains to run at a speed of 110 kmph. All requirements for faster trains, like increase in super-elevation at curves, correction of transition length through tamping, attending points and crossings with track machine, have been completed," an official release said.

COVID CRISIS

Banks see sharp rise in gold pledging

VINCENT D'SOUZA @Mangaluru

COMMERCIAL and cooperative banks and gold loan companies are witnessing a surge in gold loan borrowings in the past few months as people find it as a better option to mitigate financial exigencies caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Sources in the banking sector said compared to pre-Covid times, the number of people approaching banks to pledge gold has more than doubled now for purposes such as payment of children's school and college fee, business, completion of house construction and even to pay outstanding loans etc.

The demand for gold loan saw a sharp uptick after the RBI in August this year increased the cap on LTV (loan to value) ratio in gold loans from 75 per cent to 90 per cent, till March 31, 2021, in order ease the flow of cash to households, entrepreneurs and small businesses.

The trend is also attributed to banks rejecting more and more applications for business and other loans owing to poor credit rating triggered by decline or loss of regular income during the Covid induced lockdown. Sources said banks readily offer the more secured gold loan solution to customers whose credit rate is not so good.

Engineers have no clue about lake drain dimensions; NGT panel aghast

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

MEMBERS of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) monitoring committee were in for a rude shock on Monday when engineers from the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) told them that they do not know the exact width and length of the storm water drains to Bellandur and Varthur lakes. "There is a need to verify the revenue department records", the engineers said.

The review meeting to assess the progress of the ongoing works at the two prime water bodies of Bengaluru, called by committee, had more surprises, even for citizens who attended the meeting.

A senior BBMP engineer said told the committee members that the drains connecting the water bodies could be irrigation canals. The engineers were also sceptical of the extent of encroachment on the rajakaluves and the water bodies.

Not impressed by the responses, the committee directed the BBMP engineers to get all the revenue records of all the rajakaluves and drains connecting the lakes and the extent of encroachment, in person, at the next meeting on November 20. The committee also decided to visit the lake sites to take stock of the ground situation, before the next meeting.

Citizens attending the meeting were baffled by the statements of the government officials. It was left to them to explain to the committee the extent of the drains and also the extent of encroachment. They also pointed to the areas where civil works were done and yet there was flooding because of reduction in width of the drains.

The BDA engineers stated that they had cleared around 92 per cent of silt from Varthur lake and around 77 per cent from Bellandur. The committee was alarmed as that meant so much of silt was accumulated on the lake beds.

SILT FOR LEVELLING LAND

A UDD official said that they were in talks with defence and private land owners having undulating plains to take the silt for levelling the land. "The defence department is keen on procuring sand from other places. We are in talks with them to take the silt. Even if they take 30 per cent, the burden of transportation and cost management will come down," the official told the NGT at the meeting.

No revision of guidance value

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WITH the guidance values not being revised this year, there will likely be a considerable dip in revenue earnings this year. This will also have a ripple effect on the coffers of the state as no revision is planned for the next fiscal too. Revision of guidance values of properties is an annual exercise. But this year due to the lockdown, the exercise did not happen in March. It has now been decided that it will be done only next year with the hike being only marginal.

According to the Stamps and Registration Department, the guidance values was revised last on January 1, 2019 after a prolonged delay. It was expected in March 2020 but has been postponed to March 2021.

"The government has not thought of the losses and the methods to meet them. In the wake of lockdown, it was stopped and till now no orders of field assessment to start the revision have been issued. To cover the losses of this year, there cannot be a steep revision of guidance values next fiscal, nor can there be a depreciation. There would only be a symbolic hike to continue the revision cycle. In the worst-case scenario, the government will have to continue with the present values, but will have to borrow large amounts as the market value of the city will drop," said an official from the Stamps and Registration Department.

According to revenue department records, against the target of Rs 11,828 crore for the last fiscal, Rs 1,145.05 crore was realised. The target for this fiscal was Rs 12,655 crore. Ever since the lockdown was relaxed, Rs 4,610.12 crore has been accumulated, but officials said that reconciliation is yet to be done.

The official said, "We also have to think of the problems of people. Registration of properties is a must and the present revenue generation is from long-pending sales and registrations."

'Reserve room for Covid emergencies'

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THE teaching time at colleges can be extended or modified by the teachers. However, libraries and canteens at colleges will not be allowed to open.

The SOPs state that it is mandatory for teachers, students and other staff of respective institutions to undergo an RT-PCR test three days prior to starting the classes and only those testing negative will be allowed to attend offline classes. Colleges must also reserve a room for Covid-19 emergencies with first-aid kits and pulse oxymeter. The principal has to create a special task force of teaching and non-teaching staff to handle emergencies, while vice-chancellors will have to set up similar task forces at the university level.

Colleges are asked to take continuous feedback from students and encourage exercises -- like yoga and pranayama with social distancing — to increase immunity. Colleges should ensure thermal scanning, social distancing at entrances and exits and install sanitising facilities.

In an elaborate 12-page SOPs, the government has laid emphasis on teaching and non-teaching staff ensuring safety protocols at the colleges, and spreading awareness about hygienic practices and mental health to keep Covid-19 at bay. A tollfree counselling helpline for students (0804611007) has also been set up for the purpose. The national helpline for telecounselling is 84454440632.

Besides, colleges will have to ensure mapping with the nearest Primary Health Centre. While not giving clear guidelines on person-limit per room in the hostels, the SOPs state that all categories of hostels, both private and those under the education department, have to follow health guidelines already issued by the Backward Classes and Social Welfare Departments.

Each district will have a monitoring and coordination committee, chaired by the district deputy commissioner, and nine members including the Zilla Panchayat CEO, officials from transport, health, social and minority welfare and education departments.

EDITORIAL

"At some basic level, it's pretty simple: Biden is just a decent guy. It's not much, but it's also a lot. I want my president to be a decent person. Full stop.

Shadi Hamid

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— Ramnath Goenka

LESS CONFLICT, BUT U.S. PRESSURE TO OPEN UP TRADE WILL PERSIST

Washington watchers believe Joe Biden's victory in the US Presidential elections will mean the rising trade friction we witnessed in the fading years of the Trump presidency would be de-escalated. Under Trump, the US had slapped higher punitive duties on our exports, taking away the privilege of exporting some 4,000 product lines duty-free, as part of pressure tactics to prise open Indian markets. While Biden's team is unlikely to go with the unpredictable and often whimsical trade warfare of the recent past where friends and foes were equally targeted, it would be simplistic to expect the US to lessen its pressure on India.

Opening up India to exports and to investment in banking, insurance and retail remain long-term goals of the US business community and of its administration, whether Republican or Democratic. Attempts to open up our retail and financial markets were started during Clinton's presidency and continued with vigour in Bush's and Obama's tenures. To expect the incoming administration to lessen the pressure on behalf of Amazon and Walmart to relax retailing rules or on behalf of WhatsApp and GooglePay in the payment banking sector would be to live in a fool's paradise.

It is true that in this Covid era, Biden's immediate priority will be more domestic and crisis-driven. The focus in the first year will be on tackling the health emergency in the US and solving the unemployment crisis there. But domestic politics always has global ramifications. To save and create jobs, the US will perforce have to try and ratchet up its export volumes. Democrats have been known to be more protectionist than Republicans and concessions to India on trade will likely come only at the cost of deep tariff cuts offered to US manufacturers and more sops to American retailers and bankers. Possibly the only saving grace for Indian negotiators would be that they would have to no more contend with sudden fiats from Washington. There is also hope that trade-offs on trade and investment could perhaps be more easily tied up with deals on the strategic front, where the US would still like to contain China and look towards India as an ally and partner.

TRANSFORMING THE INDIAN POLICE

The suicide of a family of four allegedly due to police harassment in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh has brought to the fore once again the deep-rooted malaise within the department. The head of the family, an auto driver, had released a video, before taking the extreme step, explaining how he was humiliated. Based on prima facie evidence, two cops have been arrested and suspended. Incidents such as these have been happening over the years despite repeated efforts, both sincere and lackadaisical, to stop them. Is there no way to make the police department humane, responsible and professional?

In the case of Andhra Pradesh, to their credit, DGP Gautam Sawang and the government have focused on people-friendly policing and ample evidence of it was seen during the lockdown when the police went out of their way to help families affected by Covid-19. The department also won a lion's share of the awards at the 67th SKOCH Summit in New Delhi recently for meritorious services. Similarly, the establishment of Disha police stations for protection of women was a step in the right direction. And yet, there have also been instances where the police exceeded their brief. It doesn't require a Sherlock Holmes to diagnose the problem. Political interference, corruption and lack of character among some black sheep are at the root of it all. Besides these, the British Raj mentality of being the masters still runs deep, particularly among the lower rung of the force.

The measures initiated in the state are a good start, but to truly transform the department, police reforms must be implemented in letter and spirit. A recent report by the Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative found that no state is fully compliant with the Supreme Court verdict in the Prakash Singh vs Union of India case in 2006. Andhra Pradesh, which has partially complied with the apex court's directives, is the only state to have constituted Police Complaints Authorities at both the state and district levels. Whether they are effective is anybody's guess. Good intentions alone aren't enough. Structural changes ought to be made properly if the police are to be a force for good.

There are two equally divided and passionately opinionated Americas. An election as polarised as this is a difficult one to come out of unscathed

A WOUNDED AMERICA AFTER ELECTION 2020

HARISH BIJOOR

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AMIT BANDRE

Elections wound nations as well. And the United States of America is the latest to be wounded.

The US has a new President-elect in Joe Biden. There will be a new man and a new team steering the country out there shortly, but the wounds are apparent and open for all to see.

During the last few days following the election date, a whole world of people have been trying to understand what is happening in the mother of all mixed democracies. The Republicans and the Democrats were at war. But that is normal in any election. What seemed abnormal, however, is the deep degree of polarisation that led up to this campaign, culminating in a war of words and most certainly a long legal battle that will continue for a while.

The problem is really in the stars (and the stripes, if you may). If there are many Americas, it is to be accepted. After all, the very name of the country says it all. But as the votes got counted, and as political comments got polarised with President Trump actually wanting a stop on vote count, America seemed as divided as ever before. What one witnesses is the Divided States of America. Even an Equally Divided States of America! And that is the problem.

Two Americas is a problem. Two equally divided and passionately opinionated Americas is an issue. Let me decipher the "many" versus the "two" argument. "Many Americas" is the foundation on which the nation thrives. A nation of immigrants from everywhere. One that colonised the local Native American Indians and one that thrives in its many colours, red and blue just being two of them. Two Americas is therefore a problem. There is a certain safety in acute diversity, as opposed to a face-to-face polarisation of clearly opposed camps of 'passionistas'.

This election, however, seems to have cleaved the nation into two. A noisy red, versus a less noisy blue. Two elephants in the room. Two large elephants nearly of equal size. Both crammed into the same space, trunk to tail. With very little room to manoeuvre. The vote shares across the states do seem to testify to this. In the weeks ahead, it is quite likely that the President of the US will represent only half the eligible, voting and having-voted population of the country. And that is always a problem. In this case it seems a bigger one.

An election as polarised as this is a difficult one to come out of unscathed. The hurt is really not only with the candidates who have lost, their passionate campaigners and the party that has trailed. The hurt lies with a divided people. A set of people who have believed passionately in the cause of either colour, and a set of people who have believed thus far that they will win. A biscuit-thick margin of difference will therefore not count for them. The basic differences shall remain and fester. Election 2020 has simply brought these issues to the fore and deepened differences that seemed either buried or swept under the carpet till now.

I believe the blame for dividing the US into two shouldn't be credited to Trump. The reality is that these polarised differences have actually existed for the last several decades. Trump just came in and felt the pulse of the people. And he decided to craft it into a party manifesto and a programme of action that appeals to a large part of America

America is therefore, after this election of 2020, a polarised nation, one that witnesses completely new coalitions of the divided. A coalition on two sides of the election fence, divided by colour of skin (black or white), generation (first generation American or older), jobs (with or without), urban or rural, gender, inclusive or exclusive and very importantly the rich versus the poor. And all this, as America leaves the unctuous taste of the election behind, is a potent cocktail for tumult.

Election 2020, the campaigns and their tone, tenor and decibel, has indeed hurt America. It has hurt the psyche of its peoples, just as it has hurt its image across the globe. While the latter is not a worry as global image counts that much less and can be crafted again, I do believe the big issue is of a hurt psyche of a large mass of people.

As many commentators blame Donald Trump for dividing America into two, I believe that is a blame not to be credited to him. The reality is the fact that these polarised differences have actually existed for the last several decades. Trump just came in and felt the pulse of the people. And he decided to craft it into a party manifesto and a programme of action that appeals to this large part of America, as the election numbers seem to tell us. Trump has been a good politician and has read the mind and mood of the people. He scraped through with it in 2016, but failed to do the same in 2020. So be it. The large constituency of difference still exists. As it will into the future.

Joe Biden needs to be that statesman-leader that America demands today. He looks the part for sure. Surely quieter, surely less combative and most importantly one who has his priorities right, with the pandemic raging once again in the country. Biden needs to be a double-healer, really. He needs to heal the physical hurt of the pandemic and equally the emotional hurt of hatred and divide that seems to be so widespread.

The beauty of an election and the wounds it leaves is the fact that wounds have a habit of healing and closing even. Even this shall pass, I guess.

To quote the Mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo: "Welcome back America"!

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WILL BIDEN'S U.S. CEASE TO BE A DISRUPTER OF GLOBAL PROCESSES?

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The 2020 presidential election was easily the most significant one that the US has seen for decades, for its ramifications would surely be felt both internally and in the rest of the world. Over the four years of Donald Trump's presidency, the world's most powerful country not only became bitterly divided, it was also transformed into a nation whose strong institutional foundations—many of which were anchored in its constitution—were seriously tested like never before.

America's global economic engagements had also changed beyond recognition. While all previous administrations were actively engaged in shaping global governance institutions, President Trump remained deeply suspicious of nearly all of them. Thus, not surprisingly, in the past four years, the US became increasingly disengaged from several global and regional processes, some of which—like the Paris Agreement on climate change and the Trans Pacific Partnership, the largest free trade agreement ever to have been conceived—were shaped by the Obama administration. President Trump also challenged the global trade rules when he sanctioned unilateral increases in tariffs on a number of products in 2018, targeting all the major economies. This was the first time since the US imposition of Smoot-Hawley Tariffs in the 1930s that countries were dragged into a veritable trade war.

The World Trade Organization (WTO), designed to maintain a rules-based global trading system, also faced non-cooperation from the Trump administration on two counts. One, the US refused to allow new members to be appointed to the Appellate Body of the WTO's Dispute Settlement Mechanism, a move that has prevented resolution of disputes between members of the organisation. Two, the appointment of the Director General of the WTO, which by convention is decided by consensus, has also run into rough weather; the Trump administration has not agreed to the appointment of Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala of Nigeria, who would have become the first woman and African to lead the Organization.

With Joe Biden's election as the US President, is it reasonable to expect that the new administration would cease to be a disrupter of global processes and get back to contributing to them? This question may not have a straightforward answer, the reason being that President Trump could leave his imprint on the future administrations stemming from his twin rhetoric, "Make America Great Again" and "America First". It was this sense of nationalism that was the heart of the Trump administration's global dealings, both economic and political. But more importantly, the twin rhetoric had caught the imagination of the American people in no uncertain terms as was revealed in the available numbers from the popular vote. If the votes that Joe Biden had received was just shy of 75 million, the largest number ever in the history of the US, Donald Trump had received more than 70 million votes, an increase of nearly 8 million over his 2016 tally. Thus, the incoming Biden administration could find it difficult to side-step the Trump rhetoric altogether.

Is it reasonable to expect that America would get back to contributing to global institutions? There may not be a straightforward answer since Trump's twin rhetoric of 'Make America Great Again' and 'America First' had caught the imagination of the people in no uncertain terms—the losing incumbent received more than 70 million votes, an increase of nearly 8 million over his 2016 tally

However, Biden's victory speech provides considerable room for optimism. By seeking "the confidence of the whole people" in America, the President-elect has signalled that his approach will be hugely different from that of his predecessor. Hopefully, this tone, signalling the spirit of inclusion, will permeate into the global arena as well, where the Covid-induced economic crisis makes it imperative for countries to work collectively in order to reverse the downturn. This would necessitate serious re-engagement of the US in all the critical global processes on which the Trump administration had turned its back. Thus, putting the global trading system back on track by reposing faith in the WTO should be among the priorities of the Biden presidency, as would be a forward movement on issues related to climate change, on which the President-elect had expressed his personal commitment.

What can India expect from the new US administration? Personal bonhomie between the leaders of the two largest democracies notwithstanding, trade relations between India and the US have not been at their very best under the Trump administration. India lost its preferential access to its largest export market under the Generalised System of Preferences (GSP), besides getting drawn into the trade war. In order to undo some of the damage, the Indian government has proposed a free trade agreement with the US, but the Trump administration had insisted that New Delhi must open up its market in sensitive areas, including in agriculture. Whether the Biden administration changes the script would be watched with interest.

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Betterment of the world

President-elect Joe Biden's promise of working for the unity and not division of the 'United' States of America is good, if put into action properly. Let us hope the new order will bring in change for the betterment of the whole world and not just that country.

Elizabeth Koshy, Pathanamthitta

Empowering women

With Kamala Harris being the first female Vice President in the US and the appointment of Priyanca Radhakrishnan as New Zealand's first Indian-origin minister, women's empowerment across the globe has received a huge boost. One hopes this would motivate more women to get into the limelight and allow them to have a greater say in the corridors of power.

Baburajan A, Chaliyam

Foreign policy to be similar

This is with reference to *On India-US relations in the Biden-Kamala era* (Nov 9). The article makes a balanced analysis of likely foreign relation scenarios in the post-Trump period. It is to be noted that a change of government does not lead to a dramatic shift in foreign policy. Further, PM Narendra Modi and Biden are not strangers.

Hemanth Bhide, Mangaluru

Onus is on Biden

This is with reference to *The disunited states of America* (Nov 9). Classic American liberalism had long disappeared with the ever-widening rift among people. It is now incumbent upon Biden to not only reshape a liberal democracy in the US, but also to take other countries along with him for a humanitarian world.

A M Chakravarty, Hyderabad

Good omen for the globe

This is with reference to *America rediscovers roots in democracy & multiculturalism* (Nov 9). The change of guard in the US is indeed a good omen for the world at large. One hopes Biden will give importance to multiculturalism and continue to push for stronger Indo-US ties during his regime.

C Ghanshyam, Visakhapatnam

Relief package for Sivakasi

This is with reference to *Existential dilemma that stares at Sivakasi* (Nov 9). The pandemic has adversely affected the cracker industry in Sivakasi. Many states have banned them due to this. Green crackers may be able to save the industry as long as guidelines are followed. But the government should formulate a relief package for the workforce.

Haribandhu Panigrahi, Tarbha

Not related to journalism

Republic TV would like us to believe that the whole world is agitated about Arnab Goswami's arrest, which seems quite far from the truth. The mad scramble among NDA ministers to defend him and castigate the Maharashtra government about the suppression of press freedom has taken the case to the next level, though the arrest has nothing to do with Arnab the journalist.

C V Aravind, Bengaluru

Lockdown timing was right

The opinion of Nobel laureate Abhijit Banerjee that the lockdown in India could have waited for another month does not appear to be justified. Of course, sufficient time should have been given in preparation for the lockdown, but there is no use crying over spilt milk.

M Haneef, Kottayam

Too many political parties

The bane of our country's politics is the existence of too many political parties. There should be only two parties, like the system is in many developed countries. Parties formed on the basis of caste, community and religion should not be allowed to register.

S Ravindranath, Bengaluru

A-G's firmness

Attorney-General K K Venugopal's refusal to reconsider his earlier decision of not giving consent to BJP leader Ashwini Upadhyay to initiate contempt proceedings against Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy shows his firmness on the issue. He has rightly said that it is a matter between the court and contemnor.

N A Joseph, Ettumanoor

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Abhishek Singhvi @DrAMSinghvi
Heard of some cases at the Bar & now Univ students are committing suicide because they can't afford laptops. Univs must provision for such students vide govt mandate

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
The result of demonetisation is that till date the economy has not been able to recover. It not only ended big businessmen, but also small traders, farmers

Smriti Z Irani @smritiirani
#Local4Diwali - This Diwali pledge to buy local! Help local craftsmen and businesses to prosper & support 'Local for Vocal' movement for an 'AatmaNirbhar Bharat'

PM Narendra Modi inaugurates projects in Varanasi via video conferencing | PTI

Local for Diwali! New Atmanirbhar pitch by PM Modi

Inaugurates projects worth ₹600 crore in Varanasi, gives call for buying local products

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PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Monday said the village poor and the farmers are the biggest pillars of the Atmanirbhar Bharat campaign and its biggest beneficiaries, too. Inaugurating projects worth over ₹600 crore in his parliamentary constituency Varanasi, Modi made a 'vocal for local on Diwali' pitch, appealing to the people to buy indigenous products to brighten up this Diwali, as part of the Atmanirbhar campaign.

The PM also interacted with the people of Varanasi after the virtual inauguration, which was also attended by CM Yogi Adityanath. The prime minister launched 16 schemes worth ₹219 crore and laid the foundation of 14 other projects worth over ₹394 crore. He said these projects would help in the overall development of the holy city.

"The mantra of 'local for Diwali' is resonating everywhere. I appeal to the people of Varanasi and all countrymen to promote 'local for Diwali' in a big way," Modi said, adding this will also give a new boost to the economy and local businesses.

The event was live-streamed at several locations in Varanasi, including Circuit House, Dashashwamedh Ghat, Shool Tankeshwar temple, airport and Trade Facilitation Centre.

Extending greetings for the upcoming festivals, including Diwali, Govardhan Puja and Bhaiya Dooj, the Prime Minister urged the people to promote local goods to strengthen the local identity. While interacting with the locals, he also informed them about the development works that have taken place in Varanasi.

> **Along with vocal for local, the mantra of local for Diwali is resonating everywhere. Celebrating Diwali with local will give a new boost to the economy. I would like to tell the people of Varanasi and all countrymen that promote 'local for Diwali' big time**
>
> Narendra Modi, PM

He said going for local was not confined to purchasing only 'diya' but everything else for Diwali. "All citizens have the responsibility towards those manufacturing the festival products in these times."

About the infrastructure development, the PM said over the last six years, unprecedented work was done on health infrastructure in Varanasi. "Today, not only for UP but Kashi has also become a hub of health facilities for the entire Purvanchal region," said the PM.

Delhi top contributor to fresh Covid-19 cases

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FOR the second consecutive day, India reported less than 50,000 Covid-19 cases on Monday, but Delhi overtook Maharashtra and Kerala as the highest contributor to the daily nationwide tally, reporting 7,745 infections in a span of 24 hours. Delhi had earlier overtaken Maharashtra and Kerala on November 7 also.

At 7,745 cases, it was also the national capital's highest tally so far. Delhi was followed by Maharashtra with 5,585 cases and Kerala with 5,585 , the health ministry said.

With 45,903 new infections being reported on Monday, India's Covid-19 caseload rose to 85,53,657 while the number of people who have recuperated from the disease crossed 79 lakh, pushing the national recovery rate to 92.56 per cent, according to the ministry data. The death toll from the disease rose to 1,26,611 with 490 new fatalities being registered. The number of active cases remained below 6 lakh for the 11th consecutive day.

"New daily cases continue to trend downwards with the success of Jan-Andolan promoting Covid appropriate behaviour," the ministry said.

The trend of more recoveries than new cases has continued for the 37th day with 48,405 cases recovering in a span of 24 hours as against 45,903 infections being reported during the same period. Total recoveries have surged to 79,17,373 and exceed active cases by 74,07,700.

In a statement the ministry said, "This trend has continued to shrink the active caseload of India which presently stands at 5,09,673 which comprises 5.96% of the total COVID-19 cases."

It also pointed out to India's cumulative positivity rate dropping to 7.19% as on date.

According to the ministry, 79% of the new recovered cases are concentrated in 10 states/UTs — Delhi, Maharashtra, Kerala, West Bengal, Karnataka, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan.

FATALITY COUNT DECREASING

As many as 490 case fatalities have been reported across India in a day. Fatalities have continued to decrease with less than 500 deaths reported in the last 24 hours. The overall death toll climbed to 1,26,611.

> **We all need to be more vigilant for the entire festive season that started with Dussehra and will continue onto Diwali, Chhath, Christmas and then onto Makar Sankranti in the next year**
>
> Harsh Vardhan, health minister

A health worker collects swab samples for Covid-19 test in New Delhi, | PTI

Winter, festivities may spoil gains if guard slips: Vardhan

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UNION Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan on Monday said India hoped to get the vaccine for Covid-19 at any time in the new year, but stressed that Covid-appropriate behaviour was still the best bet against containing the pandemic in the country.

Vardhan made the statement during a virtual meeting with the health ministers of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Punjab, Rajasthan, Telangana and West Bengal as he reviewed the Covid-19 situation in these states. The Union minister praised the states for their handling of the pandemic and said India performed better than developed nations.

These states have been reporting a rise in the number of cases, high average daily cases on a seven-day average, decline in testing, high rate of mortality within the first 24/48/72 hours of hospitalisation, high doubling rate and higher death among the vulnerable population groups.

Vardhan reiterated the need to be extra cautious in the coming winter and the long festive season saying, they poses a significant risk that could threaten the gains made against Covid-19 so far.

"We all need to be more vigilant for the entire festive season that started with Dussehra and would continue onto Diwali, Chhat Puja, Christmas and then onto Makar Sankranti in the next year. Respiratory virus also spreads rapidly in the winter months," an official statement quoted Vardhan as saying.

Vardhan assured that the trajectory of the novel coronavirus pandemic in India was being monitored personally by the prime minister.

The state ministers shared a brief snapshot of the actions taken for containment, surveillance and treatment. They also highlighted the best practices being followed, the statement added.

EXPRESS READ

Drug probe: NCB summons Rampal

Mumbai: The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) on Monday carried out a search at the residence of actor Arjun Rampal as part of it probe into alleged drug use in Bollywood and also asked him to appear before the agency on November 11. Electronic gadgets were seized during the search.

Rajnath inaugurates missile model

New Delhi: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated a model of an anti-satellite missile at DRDO Bhawan on Monday. India had successfully tested anti-satellite missile on March 27 last year shooting down a live satellite under Mission Shakti. India is the fourth country to have used such a weapon.

DD was much better! Delhi HC asks 2 channels not to air defamatory content

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THE Delhi High Court on Monday two news channels — Republic TV and Times Now — that no defamatory content should be displayed on their channels or uploaded on social media.

Issuing notice on a suit filed by Bollywood producers seeking to restarin the channels from making defamatory remarks against the film industry, Justice Rajiv Shakdher observed that people are afraid of the media, the fourth pillar of democracy, because of its powers and cited the episode when Princess Diana died while racing away from the media in 1997.

Some of the film industry's biggest names, including Aamir Khan, Shah Rukh Khan, Salman Khan, Akshay Kumar, Karan Johar, Aditya Chopra and Farhan Akhtar, filed the plea together against the 'media trial'.

"Media can't run a parallel trial. You are a broadcaster, show news. There is less news and more opinion," the court told the channels, stressing that things are being prejudged.

"We expect fair reportage but sadly that is not happening. Not just in India but across the world. We used to find Doordarshan stale but now I wish it comes back. The black and white Doordarshan was so much better," the judge said.

> **We used to find Doordarshan stale but now I wish it comes back. The black and white DD was so much better... See the kind of language you are using on TV. Participants in debates are using cuss words**
>
> Justice Rajiv Shakdher, Delhi HC

"Bollywood celebrities are entitled to privacy. Look what happened in the case of Princess Diana... she died because she was being chased by the media. You can't just go on like this. The courts are the last ones to want to regulate," Justice Shakdher said.

"Even cuss words are being used during live debates. Nobody is stopping from reporting but language and the manner has to be right."

The court sought written response in two weeks in the case, and recorded the assurances by the channels to follow the Cable TV Act & Rules, and the Programme Code.

DIPLOMACY

India welcomes Sudan removal from list of terror sponsors

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

INDIA on Monday welcomed the removal of Sudan from the list of States that are accused of sponsoring terrorism and also hailed the normalisation of relations between Israel and the African country.

According to a statement from the Ministry of External Affairs, India welcomed the signing of the Juba Peace Agreement and hoped that the move will bring in democratic changes which contribute to enhancing Sudan's development, peace and security.

"India's relations with Sudan are historic and special, and forged on the basis of shared values and close people-to-people contacts. We welcome the removal of Sudan from the List of State Sponsors of Terrorism and Sudan's normalisation of relations with Israel. We congratulate the Transitional Government and the people of Sudan on the signing of the Juba Peace Agreement, and hope that these positive developments will usher in democratic changes and contribute to enhancing Sudan's development, peace, security and stability," the MEA statement stated.

The transitional government in Sudan last month signed a peace agreement with several groups to end the civil war which has resulted in the death of thousands of people. Following the signing of the agreement, US President Donald Trump last week announced Sudan would be taken off the list of sponsors for terror. Sudan announced days later that it was normalising relations with Israel.

LETTER APPEAL

Protect media's freedom, Editors Guild tells Yogi

NEW DELHI: The Editors Guild Of India wrote to Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath to address the issues of press freedom. It said it was keen to send a delegation to Lucknow to explore ways to create a protective environment for the media to function fearlessly by collaborating with the administration.

It urged the UP government to free jailed journalists, withdraw cases under review and to ensure safety of all journalists in the state.

"In the recent past, several incidents have come to fore which raise deep concerns on the space for free, fearless and independent journalism in UP," said the Guild in a statement.

Highlighting the recent episode involving Republic TV, the Guild, without naming the channel, said there were more compelling cases of intimidation. "While you were right to promptly uphold the freedom of the press when an editor of a TV channel was arrested in Mumbai, there are far more compelling cases of intimidation, harassment by authorities of working journalists in UP who were prevented from doing their job," said the statement.

The Guild said several journalists in UP were arrested on "spurious charges", naming Siddique Kappan, Supriya Sharma, Ravindra Saxena, Vijay Vineet, Manish Mishra, Asad Rizvi and five journalists from Bijnor. *ENS*

Pollution check: Panel proposes work from home, travel curbs

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WORK from home, undertake only essential travel and avoid use of personal vehicle for commuting — these are part of ten immediate measures recommended by the newly appointed Commission for Air Quality Management as parts of northern India are seeing heavy pollution with air quality in hazardous category.

The members of Commission headed by formed Delhi cheif secretary MM Kutty reviewed air quality scenario in National Capital Region and adjoining areas.

They reviewed the situation, actions taken by various agencies so far and further steps to be taken for improving the air quality.

The Commission noted that future action will necessitate consultation with various stakeholders. However, at this stage it stressed the need to strictly enforce existing laws, rules and guidelines to minimise pollution on an emergency basis. The panel also felt active public involvement is critical.

Among measures for immediate action are minimizing use of personal transport to the extent possible and restricting travel. It also called for strict enforcement of rules regarding dust control measures including at construction sites. It noted that there should be strict enforcement to prevent burning of municipal solid waste and biomass and intensify water sprinkling particularly in dust prone areas.

Akshardham Temple shrouded in smog in New Delhi on Monday| PARVEEN NEGI

'Strong, prosperous Maldives in India's interest'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

FOREIGN Secretary Harsh Vardan Shringla arrived in the Maldives on Monday for a two-day visit where he called on leaders of the country and signed four MoUs. The leaders also discussed ways for economic recovery post the pandemic.

"We have just signed two MoUs for High Impact Community Development Projects, an MoU on Cooperation in Sports and Youth Affairs and an MoU for a US$ 100 million grant to fund the Greater Male Connectivity Project which is the largest ever such infrastructure project undertaken in the Maldives," Shringla said.

He met Maldives President Ibrahim Solih and also his counterpart Abdul Ghafoor to discuss post-Covid economic recovery and also ways to strengthen ties between the two countries.

"The recovery and resilience efforts to curb the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic, including boosting tourism, accelerating the implementation of the ongoing development cooperation projects across the Maldives, and the means of elevating connectivity and bilateral trade between the Maldives and India," a statement from the Maldives foreign ministry stated.

"We see an economically strong, resilient and prosperous Maldives as fundamentally in India's interest," Shringla said. "We deeply appreciate the Government of President Solih for its 'India First' foreign policy. This is reciprocated in full measure by our 'Neighbourhood First' policy in which Maldives enjoys a special and central place."

MALDIVES MINISTER GETS INDIA BACKING

India on Monday said the Maldives should play a more prominent role in the United Nations and reiterated its support to its Foreign Minister Abdulla Shahid's candidature for the presidency of the 76th session of the UN General Assembly next year. Addressing the Maldives' Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Male, Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla said in today's globalised and interconnected world, multilateral engagement is very important.

Govt to set up National Tribal Research Institute

NEW DELHI: The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has invited request for proposals for setting up of the National Tribal Research Institute in the national capital's ITO area.

The total timeframe to conduct completion of the work would be three-and-a-half months from the time work is alloted to the agency, according to the ministry.

The cost of the project of establishing the National Tribal Research Institute at the existing IIPA building would be around ₹10 crore.

The institute will house an exhibition hall, an auditorium, conference hall, a library, laboratories, guesthouse and a multipurpose hall. It will also be equipped with modern technology.

The architectural consultancy would be provided by the agency appointed by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. Union Minister for Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda had recently said the work by tribal research institutes should become the base to take tribal developments programs forward. *ENS*

CORRUPTION

The CBI has booked Madhya Pradesh-based company Narayan Niryat and its director Kailash Chand Garg for allegedly cheating a UCO Bank-led consortium to the tune of over ₹105 crore, officials said

6KG GOLD LOOTED FROM A FIRM IN ANKLESHWAR

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Ops enter second day to clear LoC

BSF rules out Pakistan's Border Action Team attack, says it was infiltration bid by militants

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE Army and the BSF continued their search operation for the second consecutive day on Monday along the LoC in Jammu and Kashmir's Kupwara district for clearing the area of any remaining militants who had tried to infiltrate at Machil sector.

Captain Ashutosh Kumar, Havaldar Praveen Kumar, Rifleman Ryada Maheshwar and BSF constable Sudip Sarkar were martyred in gunfights at Machil sector on Sunday. Three militants were also shot down in the encounters.

Troops have recovered two AK rifles with two magazines and 60 rounds, one pistol with two magazines and 29 rounds, a radio set, ₹50,000 Indian currency and other stores at the site of gunfights.

Additional Director General, BSF, Surendra Panwar told reporters that the combing and search operation at Machil sector was on. "We are sanitizing the area. The search operation will continue till we are not satisfied that no militant is present in the area," Panwar said on sidelines of Sarkar's wreath-laying ceremony in Srinagar.

The senior officer said it was an infiltration attempt and not a Border Action Team (BAT) attack. Panwar added troops were on alert as they had received inputs some 15 days ago that there could be infiltration attempts by militants.

In reply to a media question, ADG Panwar said compared to last year, the infiltration bids have drastically come down this year. "Only 25 militants have infiltrated into J&K this year as against 135-140 militants last year."

"As per inputs about 250 to 300 militants are waiting at launch pads to sneak into J&K. They are at launch pads and waiting to cross to this side of LoC. We are alert and will foil every infiltration bid."

The BSF ADG said the counter infiltration grid has been strengthened. "The grid is being continuously upgraded."

BSF personnel carry the mortal remains of their colleague Sudip Sarkar, who was killed while foiling an infiltration attempt of militants along the Line of Control in Jammu and Kashmir's Kupwara district | PTI

Bombay HC rejects interim relief to Republic TV editor

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE Bombay High Court on Monday rejected interim bail to Republic TV's editor-in-chief Arnab Goswami in an abetment to suicide case.

On the political front, Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari called state home minister Anil Deshmukh and expressed concern over the health and security of Goswami. Koshyari also asked Deshmukh to allow the kin of Goswami to see him.

Later, Desmukh told reporters that relatives of jail inmates are currently not being allowed to meet in view of the pandemic. Communication over phone is allowed with prior permission, he added.

Reacting to the Governor's move, NCP minister Nawab Malik said the Governor should show equal concern for the family of the victim who had lost their two members.

Four days for trial court to decide bail

The Bombay High Court said the lower court must take a decision on bail within four days. "Rejection of interim order shall not be construed as an impediment to the petitioners seeking alternate remedies," the high court said in its order. "The observations made in this order rejecting interim bail are prima facie only."

While refusing the bail, the HC observed that a deeper investigation began by the Raigad police into the death by suicide of Anvay Naik "cannot be termed as illegal."

Goswami is in judicial custody since November 4.

A division bench of Justices SS Shinde and MS Karnik rejected the arguments raised by Goswami's lawyers Harish Salve and Abad Ponda that the police action was illegal and that the police could not have on their own revived the investigation after a magistrate last year accepted the closure report in the case.

The HC referred to Supreme Court cases, saying "the law does not mandate prior permission of a magistrate before further investigation is initiated". It observed that it is the statutory right of the police to investigate a case further even after filing of the charge sheet.

The court said the "summary report" filed by the police in the case in 2019 meant that the investigation was incomplete. "The acceptance of the same by the magistrate does not mean that the case has been closed. In this case, the right of the victim (Naik's family) is equally important."

Bihar village mourns martyred son, father proud despite personal loss

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @Patna

A village in Bihar's Madhepura district on Monday mourned the death of its son, Captain Ashutosh Kumar, 25, of Indian Army's 18 Madras Regiment, who was martyred in a fierce exchange of fire with terrorists near LoC in J&K's Kupwara sector on Sunday.

Captain Ashutosh, who belonged to Jagir tola village, was an alumnus of Sainik School, Bhubaneswar. He joined the Indian Army in 2018.

A bachelor, he leaves behind his parents and two sisters – elder Khusboo Kumari is married while the younger Anshu is pursuing her post-graduation from a local college. "We have lost everything. We never thought such a day would come," said his elder sister, tightly holding his photograph.

The village received the tragic news early in the morning and soon scores of villagers gathered at his house.

Madan Kumar, a villager, said that Captain Kumar was passionate about joining the Indian Army since his school days.

Locals said that martyr's mother Geeta Devi fainted soon after she heard about the martyrdom of his son from her husband Ravindra Bharti, who is an employee at a veterinary hospital in the district.

"I am sad I have lost my son at a young age, but I am proud that he sacrificed his life for the nation. And that's what he was trained for," the fallen soldier's father said.

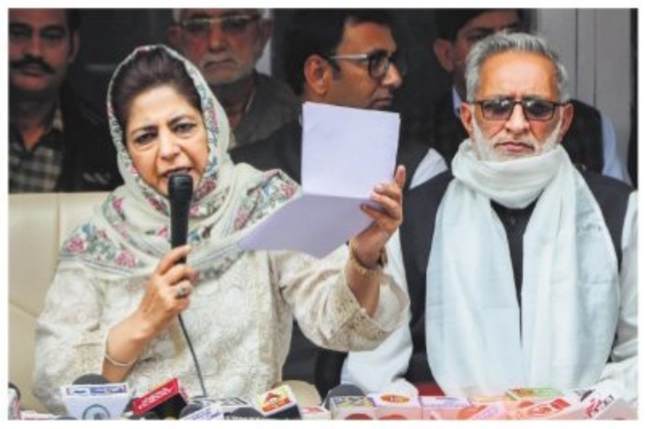
Captain Kumar had spoken to his parents over phone a day before his martyrdom. His relatives said he was due home on Diwali and Chhath.

"He was a brilliant student of science stream and had qualified for the NDA. He gunned down two militants before being hit by bullets," said Dheeraj Kumar, a youth from Parmanpur village.

Sources said Kumar's body would be brought to Patna by a special flight on Tuesday.

Condolence message

Bihar CM Nitish Kumar on Monday condoled the death of four security personnel. "The entire country stands firmly with the bereaved families in this hour of grief," he said in his message.



People's Democratic Party (PDP) president Mehbooba Mufti addresses a press conference in Jammu on Monday | PTI

BJP's only agenda is to snatch J&K's land, jobs, resources: Mehbooba

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

CLAIMING that the 'darkness' of Article 370 revocation has engulfed Jammu and Kashmir, PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti on Monday alleged that the BJP government has put land, jobs and resources on sale.

Militancy has increased during the BJP rule and youth have two options either to pick up gun or go to jails, she added.

"After Article 370 revocation, darkness has engulfed J&K. Everybody is worried about the future and their identity. In Kashmir, the situation is bad, but the situation in Jammu is worse than the Valley," Mehbooba said at a press conference in Jammu after completion of her first visit to the region after her release from over 14-month detention last month.

Article 370 is not the issue of Muslims and Kashmir, she said. "Article 370 was inserted by Maharaja Hari Singh especially to protect Dogra culture and identity. And when we acceded with India, we acceded on condition that J&K should be given special status so that non-locals cannot purchase our land and take our jobs."

Maharaja Hari Singh along with Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah, she said, had provided a protective shield to the people of J&K through Article 370 and special status. "But last year, the government took away this protection from us. They have desecrated the Constitution."

"After Article 370 revocation, BJP has one agenda... how to snatch J&K's land, employment, jobs, resources. They have put J&K and its resources on sale. They want to bring people from outside at the expense of the locals."

Only 59k visited Kartarpur due to Covid curbs

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

AROUND 59,000 people used the Kartarpur corridor to visit the Darbar Sahib Gurdwara in Pakistan a year after the passage was opened between India and Pakistan.

The corridor remained operational for four months as it was closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Pakistan government reopened the corridor from its side on October 3 following "improvement" in the pandemic conditions. The Indian government is yet to decide on the shrine's reopening. As a result, the integrated check posts on both sides of the border wear a deserted look.

As per the agreement between the two countries, 5,000 pilgrims daily and 10,000 on special days are allowed to visit the gurdwara through the corridor. The Akal Takht, the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee, the Akalis and the Congress have requested the Centre to re-open the corridor at the earliest.

"We request Prime Minister Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah to re-open the corridor as all religious places, malls and cinema halls have reopened," said SGPC president Gobind Singh Longowal.

The Akal Takht, the highest temporal seat of the Sikhs, has also issued a similar appeal.

The corridor is a 4.6-km passage with two integrated check posts on either side of the border. It starts from Dera Baba Nanak in Gurdaspur district and extends to the Kartarpur shrine in Pakistan's Narowal district.

Mamata urges PM to check prices of veggies

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

WEST Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee wrote to Prime Minister Narendra Modi seeking the Centre's intervention to stabilise the spiralling prices of staple vegetables.

She said the recent amendments to agri laws are encouraging hoarders and resulting into price rise and consequent sufferings to the consumers.

"The adverse impact of these new central acts upon the farmers and consumers in terms of availability and prices of essential agricultural commodities is already visible now."

The Bengal CM alleged the new rules are encouraging hoarding and profiteering on essential items like potato and onion. "Our worst apprehensions in this regard seem to be already coming true as the exorbitant prices of essential household vegetables such as potato and onion in recent weeks have already made them unaffordable for common people and no signs to regulate them," she wrote.

AIUDF confident of poll alliance with Cong in Assam, awaits Sonia's nod

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE alliance between the Congress and the All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF) in poll-bound Assam is awaiting Congress president Sonia Gandhi's stamp of approval.

AIUDF chief Maulana Badruddin Ajmal said he was 100 per cent confident about the alliance. "As far as our alliance with the Congress is concerned, we feel a formal announcement will be made before December. We are waiting for Sonia Gandhi's approval," Ajmal said.

The Lok Sabha MP said Congress general secretary incharge of Assam Jitendra Singh, who was in the state recently, had been briefed by the state leadership of the possible alliance.

The Congress said Singh would submit a report to the central leadership based on his assessment of the political situation. "We are a national party and as such, our high command makes decisions. The Congress' core committee had in August made a suggestion to the high command on the formation of a grand alliance of opposition parties. It will decide if there will be an alliance and if yes, with which party or parties," Congress spokesperson Ruparna Konwar said.

He said as of now, there were no hurdles. Once the alliance is finalised, the two parties will discuss related issues, including seat-sharing arrangement, he added.

Rajnath, 2 other ministers to meet farmer unions

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

AWARE of a spate of resignations from the party in Punjab in the wake of protests against new farm laws, the central BJP leadership plans to meet all farmers' unions on Friday.

Most party leaders who left in a huff have bitterly complained about lack of sensitivity in the Centre towards the farmers' sentiments. The dominant feeling is the government should have taken farmers' opinion before coming out with the laws.

State BJP chief Ashwani Kumar Sharma told this paper that three Punjab BJP leaders — Surjit Kumar Jyani, Harjit Singh Grewal and Bikramjit Singh Cheema — met Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Monday and informed them about the ground reality in the state.

The party's youth wing general secretary Barinder Singh Sandhu has also resigned as well. Later, senior BJP leader Surjit Kumar Jyani on Monday claimed that three Union ministers, including Rajnath Singh, will hold talks talks with farmer bodies on November 13 at Delhi.

With PTI inputs

Time for divine intervention

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WE have not got any advance booking for sweets," said Manikant Sah of Ladoo House.

While leaders have avoided party offices, sources said their family members had been seeking divine intervention. Mohan Jha, a priest on Boring Road, said he and 10 others had performed a two-day religious ritual at the residence of an NDA leader.

BJP candidate Nikhil Anand offered prayers at the Baba Biteshwar temple on Sunday. On whom the God will smile upon should be known by Tuesday afternoon.

Darbhanga gets air connectivity after 57 years

After a long wait of 57 years, the people of Bihar's Mithilanchal region got linked to India's air map with the inaugural flight landing at Darbhanga airport on Sunday. The SpiceJet flight with 182 passengers arrived from Bengaluru. Flights also started from Darbhanga to Delhi, Mumbai and Bengaluru from Monday. Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri had recently promised to start air services from Darbhanga to Delhi, Mumbai and Bengaluru before Chhath. Darbhanga Airport's terminal building, spread over an area of 1,400 sq ft, has six check-in counters with each capable of handling 100 passengers in peak hours.

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PATNA DIARY

Bihar gets award for helping migrants

Recognising the collective efforts of Bihar transport department taken to send the migrant-labourers and other people, the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs feted the department with the prestigious 'Innovation in Urban Transport during Covid-19 Award' on Monday. Transport secretary Sanjay K Aggarwal said that award was given at the 13th Urban Mobility India Conference. A total of 25.5 lakh people, labourers and students, who had returned from other states to Bihar, were safely sent to their destinations. As many as 7,165 buses were arranged by the transport department for this purpose keeping in mind the flood of arrivals. Migrant-labourers and other people had returned by 1,556 Special Shramik trains from across the country.

Bird centre started in Bhagalpur

Dedicated to promote observation, monitoring and research of migratory birds, the country's fourth and Bihar's first Birds Ringing Centre started functional in Bhagalpur recently. To set up this centre, an agreement was signed by the state government with the Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS) recently. Rings will be put on the feet of birds to find out their migratory movements. A sum of ₹5 crore has been spent on this centre. Experts of BNHS, one of the largest NGOs in India engaged in conservation and biodiversity research, will take care of this centre for five years.

Experts call for better pandemic management

Experts at the initiative of Indian Institute of Public Administration's Bihar chapter dwelt upon the ways for better management of pandemic like the Covid recently in Patna. A galaxy of experts said that managing pandemic can only done first with the involvement of people and then with the generation of additional resources. Retired IAS officer Vijay Prakash stressed on the need of adopting latest technology for better management of pandemic like COVID and others instead of relying on traditional wisdom only. IIPA secretary Dr RK Verma said that SP Shahi, the principal of A N College, presided over the session.

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NO.HCMU/M(DT)/TRANS/E-TENDER/4226 /2020-21 Date: .21.10.2020

INVITATION FOR TENDER FOR TRANSPORTATION OF MILK THROUGH ROAD MILK TANKERS ON CONTRACT BASIS FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS. UNDER E-PROCUREMENT

1. Hassan Co-Operative Milk Unions invites e-Tenders for Transportation of Milk through Insulated Road Milk Tankers between the District Milk Unions and to neighboring states for the period 2020-2021 and 2021-2022.
2. Tenderers are advised to note the qualification criteria specified in section VII to qualify for award of the contract.
3. Interested parties can download the Tender documents from e-procurement website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/** from **27.10.2020 to 26.12.2020** Interested tenderers may obtain further information from the above address. The Hassan Milk Union will not be responsible for the website problems if any, last date submission or non-receipt of the same.
4. Tenders must be accompanied by **E.M.D of Rs.40000.00** per tanker, and shall be submitted in any one of the forms specified in the tender document drawn in favour of e-procurement, Government of Karnataka and shall have validity of 45 days beyond the validity of the tender i.e total for 135 days. Payment of EMD is compulsory for all tenderers and previous EMD if any will not be adjusted against this tender.
5. Tenderers must upload the tender (Technical+Commercial) on or before **28.12.2020 at 05.00 PM** and Technical Tender will be opened on **30.12.2020 at 3.00 PM,** in the presence of the tenderers or their authorized representatives who wish to attend.
6. Other details can be seen in the tender documents.

Sd/- Managing Director

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No: BAMUL/ADMN/TENDER/REC/14/2020-21 DATE: 10.11.2020

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(Through e-Procurement Portal Only)

The **BANGALORE URBAN, BANGALORE RURAL AND RAMANAGARA DISTRICT COOPERATIVE MILK UNION LTD.,**invites Technical & Commercial e-Tender for Providing Online Recruitment processing consultancy services for different cadre posts.

For any further details please feel free to contact the under signed during office hours. The Managing Director, BAMUL reserves the right to accept or reject all or any tenders without assigning any reason there on. The tender processing charges (non-refundable)& EMD may please be paid to e-Portal in any of the forms as specified in the tender document.

(If Tender opening date is declared holiday it is deemed that it will be opened on the Next working day).

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Tender Schedules may be downloaded from	10.11.2020 Up to 24.11.2020
Last Date of Tender submission on Date	24.11.2020 up to 5.00 PM
Technical Tender to be opened	26.11.2020 at 11.00 A.M
Commercial Tender to be opened	27.11.2020 at 11.00 A.M
Place of opening Tender	Board Room,BAMUL (Banglore Dairy), Dairy Circle Banglore-560029

Tender documents may be downloaded from e-procurement website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/.** Interested consultants may obtain further information at the same address. The MD BAMUL reserves the rights to accept or reject the tender without assigning any reason, for further information contact at office working hours phone no 080-26096210

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Partial revamping of Chithrabhavan Hostel in FACT (Cochin Division) Township at Ambalamedu, Ernakulam.

Tender No: 04038/2020-2021/E22400, Tender ID: 2020_FACT_595277_1

Online competitive two bid tenders are invitedthrough www.eprocure.gov.in. The complete bidding process will be online (e-tendering) only. All the notifications, Time extension, Corrigendum, Addendum etc. if any, regarding this tender hereafter will be hosted in fact.co.in/CPP Portal (eprocure.gov.in)and will not be published in newspapers.

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TENDER NOTIFICATION (e-Procurement)

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No.KPCL/2020-21/PS/WORK_INDENT10397/CALL-3 Dated: 06.11.2020

ABSTRACT E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Bids in two covers are invited through e-Procurement Portal (Website URL: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**) for the work of **Providing Subsidized Canteen facility for a period of one year at Bhadra Generating Station.** from reputed bidders with proven track record of successful completion of similar works. Tender must be electronically submitted (online through Internet) with in the due date and time published in e-procurement portal. EMD of Rs.6750/- and tender processing fee should be paid online through e-Procurement Portal. Last Date and Time for Online Submission of Tender is: **20.11.2020 upto 16:00 Hrs.** Date and Time of Opening the Technical Bid is: **21.11.2020 at 16:15 Hrs.** Further information if required can be obtained from the Office of The Executive Engineer (O&M) Bhadra, Bhadra Generating Station, KPCL, B.R.Project – 577115, Bhadravathi Taluk, Shivamogga Dist., Karnataka.

Public Works Department

Office of the Executive Engineer,
PWD Division, Hassan-573201.

No. EE/PWD/HSN/JE-1/2020-21, DATED: 07.11.2020

POSTPONEMENT NOTIFICATION

This Office **Tender Notification No.12/2020-21, Dated 03.10.2020,** for All Works last date of Receipt of tender has been postponed to **21.11.2020 upto 16.00 p.m.** and For more details Visit **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact this office through **Phone No. 08172-268437** or in person during office hours.

Sd/-, Executive Engineer,
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Roc No: 223/2020/E1 **CORREIGENDUM NOTICE** Date: 04.11.2020

Due to Administrative Reasons the following correigendum is issued in continuation of tender ROC No: 223/2020/E1 Dated:14.09.2020 for notice inviting (3rd Call) Request For Qualification (RFQ) for the construction of New Bus Stand in Tirumangalam Municipality on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer (DBFOT) Basis request for qualification.

Request for Qualification Extension of last date for Submission up to 18.12.2020

Tender Reference and Name of Work	Particulars	Critical Date	
		Earlier	Revised
ROC No: 223/2020/E1, Dt:14.09.2020 **NAME OF WORK:** Tirumangalam Municipality – Notice inviting request for qualification (RFQ) for construction of New Bus Stand in Tirumangalam Municipality on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer(DBFOT) Basis	Bid Submission End Date	18.11.2020 3.00 Pm	18.12.2020 UP to 3.00 Pm
	Bid opening Date	18.11.2020 3.30 Pm	18.12.2020 UP to 3.30 Pm

DIPR:4187/TENDER/2020 Commissioner (i/c),Tirumangalam Municipality

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(VARAHI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT)

CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

No.: VUGPH/EECO/2020-21/e-02/Call 2 Dated:07-11-2020

ABSTRACT BID NOTIFICATION

(Through e-Procurement Portal Only)

Bids in two parts are invited through e-procurement portal for **Providing special assistance (12 persons) for the Annual maintenance works of Unit-3 and Unit-4 for a period of thirty days at VUGPH, Hosangadi** from regular contractor/agency/firm who had carried out similar works in any utility in India. The details of NIT & tender documents can also be seen on website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** The bids will be received through e-procurement portal mode only. Last date for online submission of completed bids: **17-11-2020 up to 16:00 Hrs** with an EMD: **Rs 7,400/-** & Tender processing fee of **Rs.500/-** (as per e-procurement) is to be made in the form of e-payment. Date of opening of Part-I (pre-qualification & technical bid): **18-11-2020 at 16:15 Hrs** & date of opening of Part-II (price bid) of the successful qualified bidders will be intimated later. Further details can be had from **Executive Engineer (C&O) Varahi, KPCL, Varahi Hydro Electric Project, Hosangadi-576282, Kundapur(T), Udupi(D), Cell: 9449598900 / 9449120380 or contact Help Desk Nos. 080-25501216 / 25501227**

MYSORE PAINTS & VARNISH LTD.,

(A Govt., of Karnataka Undertaking)

New Bannimantap Extension, Mysuru-570015
Phone : 0821-2493831-2497469/2499340,
website: www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in
email: materials-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in

Ref: 1. MPVL/MAT/2019-20/435/CALL-3 &
2. MPVL/MAT/2020-21/440/CALL-3 DATE : 05.11.2020

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited from reputed manufactures/ authorized dealers for supply of the following materials through e-Procurement Portal. The details are as mentioned below :

1. e-Tender No.:MPVL/MAT/2019-20/IND 435/Call-3 - e-Tender Notification for supply of 2K PU Paints & Allied Products. (25 Item's and Estimated value Rs.1.99 Crore.)
2. e-Tender No.:MPVL/MAT/2020-21/IND 440/Call-3- e-Tender Notification for supply of Synthetic Enamel paints & Allied Products. (45 Item's and Estimated valure Rs.1.88 Crore).

Interested parties may visit www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in for participating in the tender.

1.**MPVL/MAT/2019-20/435/Call-3 & MPVL/MAT/2020-21/440/Call-3 :** Last date for submission of Tender/Bids is **05.12.2020 at 17:00:00 hrs.**

2. **MPVL/MAT/2020-21/ 435/Call-3 & MPVL/MAT/2020-21/440/Call-3** - Technical Bid Opening on **10.12.2020 at 15:00:00 hrs.**

For Mysore Paints and Varnish Ltd.,
Sd/-
TIA/General Manager (Admin)

DIPR/DDMYS/MCA/644/2020-21

KSEB KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED - E-TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice

KSEB Ltd. is inviting tender from Utilities and Traders for banking power with KSEB Ltd. during the period from 01-03-2021 to 30-09-2021. For details visit : www.kseb.in For queries E-mail:dce.cp@kseb.in Phone : +91 471 2514473, 9496008581. Last Date of Submission of Bid : 10-12-2020 2 PM Opening of Bid : 10-12-2020 3PM

Dy.Chief Engineer(Commercial & Planning)
Withfull powers of Chief Engineer, Vydyuthi Bhavanam, Pattom

PR/MC1 /F 175/Advt /2020

Ref.PR/MC1/F 175/E-Tender/2020

UJVN LIMITED

H.O.: "UJJWAL', Maharani Bagh, GMS Road, Dehradun-248006,
Tel.: 0135-2763808, Fax- 0135- 2763507,
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website: www.ujvnl.com

प.सं. 715 **e-Tender Notice** दि0: 07.11.2020

Office of the Executive Engineer (Civil), MB-II, Chinyalisaur (Uttarkashi) invites online bid from interested parties.

Brief summary of tender is given below :

Tender No : 08/ EE(Civil) / MB-II / Chinyalisaur / 2020-21

Name of work : Providing, laying & fixing 9450 mtr (length) 80mm dia G.I. pipe from Nangun gad head **RL 1010.00** to Shaktipuram colony **RL 895.00** & other miscellaneous civil work at Nagun gad head, MB-II, UJVN Ltd. Chinyalisaur, Uttarkashi.

Estimated Cost : Rs. 21243111.00 (excluding GST)

Date of availability of bid document on website : 17.11.2020

Last date for submission of bid on website : 08.12.2020

For fuller & further details, kindly visit "e-procurement portal **"http://uktenders.gov.in"**

"Avoid wasteful use of Electricity" **Executive Engineer (Civil)**

TUMKUR CO-OPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS SOCITIES UNION LTD.,

N.H.-206, B.H. ROAD, MALLASANDRA, TUMKUR-572107
Phone: 0816-2206297/142/490/464 Email: mistumul@gmail.com Fax: 0816-2206760

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

(Tender Notification only through E-procurement)

Tumkur Co-operative Milk Producers Societies Union Ltd., Tumkur invites E-Procurement tenders two cover system (Technical & Financial bid) from eligible tenderers for the supply of the material / Service listed below:

Sl. No.	E-Procurement Tender No. & Date	Materials Details	E.M.D Amount Rs.
1	TMU/MIS/COMPUTER/AMC/2020-21 Date: 06-11-2020	Bi-Annual Maintenance Contract for computers & printers At Tumkur Milk union	25,000-00

1). Tender Schedule Downloading Date: **From 07-11-2020 to 07-12-2020 / 2.00 P.M.**
2). Last Date for Submission Of Tender: **07-12-2020 / 2.00 P.M.**
3). Time & Date of Opening of Technical Tender Bid (Cover-1): **08-12-2020 / 2.30 P.M.**
4). Web Site Address For E-tender: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
For Tumkur Co-operative Milk Union Ltd.,
MANAGING DIRECTOR

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(Raichur Thermal Power Station)
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

No.:KPCL/2020-21/PS/WORK_INDENT10557 Date: 05.11.2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-procurement portal only)

RTPS invites bids through GoK e-procurement platform **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** under **"WORKS"** category for the work of **"Migration of vendor for renewal/re-connectivity of Sox, Nox, SPM analyzer system, AAQMS and Continuous Effluent Monitoring stations of RTPS to CPCB/KSPCB and Integration of local server network with an existing Oracle data base".** EMD **Rs. 5,800/-** Last date and time for receipt of tender : **12.11.2020 at 16.00 Hrs.** Date & time of opening of Technical bid : **13.11.2020 at 16.30 Hrs.** Date & time of opening of Price bid: **17.11.2020 at 16.30 Hrs.** The above tender Notification containing the calendar of bid activities and other details can be accessed from e-procurement portal. Further details can be had from **Executive Engineer(I)-OLA2, RTPS, KPCL,** Shaktinagar - 584170, Raichur Dist., Karnataka. Mobile : 9449596571, Website : www.karnatakapower.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client, **Sri. K. HARISH SINGH,** No:7/1, 5th Cross Road, Akkipet, M. R. Lane, Bangalore – 560 053., intends to purchase the property being SOUTHERN PORTION of **Site No:9,** formed in the layout in converted **Sy. No:77** duly converted vide order No: ALN(N)(Y)SR/10 /2017-18, dated 04.11.2017, out of 0-23 guntas of converted 0-39 guntas, situated at **Andrahalli Village,** Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently comes under the administrative jurisdiction of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, in Ward No: 40, **measuring East to West 30 feet** and **North to South 20 feet, totally measuring 600 Sq.feet** and bounded on **East by : Road, West by : Site No: 16, North by: Remaining Portion of the same property** and **South by : Site No: 10** from its owner **Sri. VENKATESH H. G.,** No: 4, 2nd Cross, Lakshman Nagar, Hegganahalli Cross, Vishwaneedam Post, Bangalore – 560 091, and create mortgage in favour of REPCO HOME FINANCE LIMITED, Yelahanka Branch, Bangalore, as security for the loan to be availed by him. If anybody has any claim, rights, title, objection, interest in the aforesaid property, may be sent to my following address ***within 7 days*** from today.

Sd/-

B. SUBRAYA KHARVI, ***ADVOCATE,***
No: 231, 11th Main, 37th Cross,
4th T Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560 041.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to the public at large that my client **Ms.Swetha Manot,** D/o. Bimal Manot, No.102 Aditya Layout Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Near Global Academy of Technology, Ideal Home Society, Bangalore-560098, is the absolute owner having right, title and interest over the property detailed in the Schedule hereunder, intends to transfer or convey or dispose off the same to any person/s.

Any person/s, firm(s), societies, institution(s), (corporate or otherwise) claiming to have any right, title, interest, benefit, claim or demand in the property detailed in the Schedule hereunder and/or any part thereof, by way of sale, agreement, exchange, gift, lease, tenancy, license, assignment, mortgage, charge, lien, trust, family arrangement/ settlement, encumbrance, inheritance, bequest, easement, possession, maintenance, development rights, order / decree / judgment of any Court, understanding or otherwise howsoever, is required to intimate the same in writing, together with true copies of all documentary proof in support thereof, to the undersigned, at the address given below, within **10 (ten) days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, my client shall proceed with their proposed transaction/s, as if no such claims exist or that they have been waived or abandoned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of vacant site bearing **No.1,** Khatha No.47B, formed in Assessment / S.No.61/1, earlier within the limits of Kengeri Purasabhe and now within the jurisdiction of BBMP, with extract of the Form B Property Register issued by BBMP bearing Sl.No. 344, Property No.1/61/1A, **situated at Kengeri Village and Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk** measuring East to West 30 ft and North to South 40 ft and bounded on the :

East by : 25 ft Road **West by :** Site No.2
North by: Private Property **South by:** Road.

Arvind B Patil, Advocate
No. 4806, 8th Floor, High Point
Race Course Road, Bangalore 560001
Place : Bangalore Date : 09-11-2020

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Zonal Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru: 2nd Floor, (Vijaya Tower), 41/2, M G Road, Trinity Circle, Bengaluru–560 001. Ph: 080-2501 1204 / 280 / 350, Email: armban@bankofbaroda.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE/ MOVEABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable / Movable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

15 Days Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), Mortgagor(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the **Authorized Officer of Bank of Baroda, ZOSARB, Bangalore, Secured Creditor,** will be sold by E-auction through website: **https://www.mstcecommerce.com** on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Mortgagor/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Sr/ Lot No.	Name & address of Borrower/s, Mortgagor/s and Guarantor/ s	Description of the Immovable / Movable Properties	Reserve Price, EMD, Bid Increase Amount. & Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount	Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	Status of Possession (Constructive / Physical)	Property Inspection Date & Time
1)	**1. Mrs M Chandra W/o Mr. Ramesh K** **2. Mr. Ramesh K** Both 1 & 2 are R/O: No.7, Ramaiah Compound Nagappa Street, 5th A Cross, Palace Guttahalli Bangalore– 560003	All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No.7, (old No.267/1-289), situated at Ward No.77, 5th A Cross Road, Ramaiah Compound, Nagappa Street, Palace Guttahalli, Bangalore-560 003 measuring East to West:73 ft., North to South: Eastern Side:19 ft, Western Side:25 ft, in all measuring 1606 sq.ft. together with 11.5 squares of RCC roofed building (G+2 Floor) and bounded by: East: Property of Muniyamma, West: Road, North: Road & Property belonging to Gopalappa, South: Property belonging to Siddappa	**Reserve Price: Rs.1,74,60,000/-** **EMD: Rs.17,46,000/-** **Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/-** **Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**Rs. 2,91,21,615.92 (Rupees Two Crore Ninety One Lakhs Twenty One Thousand Six Hundred Fifteen & Paisa Ninety Two Only) as on 31-10-2020 plus Further interest and other charges.**	**05.12.2020 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Constructive Possession	With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer
2)	**1) M/S. Muralikrishna Infracon Bangalore Pvt. Ltd. represented by its Directors Mr. M Muralikrishna & Mrs. Madiraju Jayashree** **Regd. Address:** No. 7, 4th floor, 2nd cross, 8th Main, Shanbag Narayanappa layout, Opp.Kalpatharu Apartments, kodigehalli (near Tata Nagar) Bangalore 560 092 **Also at:** No.334, Sahkaranagar Post, Tata Nagar, Bangalore- 560092 **2) Mr. M Muralikrishna 3) Mrs. Madiraju Jayashree** Both 2 & 3 R/at Door No.291, 2nd Floor, 1st Main, 8th Cross, Tata Nagar, Bangalore- 560092, **Also at:** Flat No.309, A Block, Unique Concord Apartment, Sy. No.94/4, Lottegollahalli Main Road, Tatanagar, Near Vyasa International School, Bangalore- 560092	1) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Flat No: 3, in 2nd & 3rd Floor, 3BHK, in the apartment "Living Walls Athena", situated on Site No. 7AM 413, situated at HRBR Layout, 1st Block, Kalyana Nagara, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru- 560043, bounded by: East: Corridor & Flat No. 4, West: Open to Sky, North: Open to Sky , South: Staircase & Lift Area of Flat: Super Built up area of 2788 Sq. ft. & UDS of 916.82 Sq. ft.	1) **Reserve Price: Rs. 1,84,00,000/- EMD: Rs.18,40,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**Rs. 17,19,66,007.15/- (Rupees Seventeen Crore Nineteen Lakhs Sixty Six Thousand seven & Paise Fifteen Only) as on 31-10-2020 plus Further interest and other charges**	**05.12.2020 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	1) Physical Possession	With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer
		2) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Flat No: A-091, in 9th Floor, 4BHK, having Super Built up area of 3331 Sq. ft. & UDS of 799.44 Sq. ft. in the apartment "Living Walls Another Sky", situated at Horamavu Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore- 560043, bounded by: East :Corridor & Staircase, West :Open to Sky, North: Lift , South:Open to Sky, Area of Flat: Super Built up area of 3331 Sq. ft. & UDS of 799.44 Sq. ft.	2) **Reserve Price: Rs. 2,63,00,000/- EMD: Rs.26,30,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**			2) Physical Possession	
		3) All that piece and parcel of the Residential building consisting of Stilt+GF+FF+SF+Terrace having total built up area of 6744 Sq. ft. constructed on Site No: 7, Municipal No. 98/45/7, situated at Balaji Layout, AMCO Colony, Koti Hosahalli, Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore- 560092, bounded by: East: Road, West: Property belongs to Sri. Gundappa, North: Property No. 8 , South: Property No. 6. Area of Land: East to West: 59 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet; Total of 2360 Sq. ft.	3) **Reserve Price: Rs.2,70,00,000/- EMD: Rs.27,00,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**			3) Physical Possession	
		4) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No: 48/3, Khata No. 48/3, Kodigehalli Village, Adjacent to Tata Nagar, Bangalore- 560092, bounded by: **Item No.1:** Eastern Portion of Site No.48/3, East: 60 Feet Road, West: K Nagaraju Property, North: Narayanappa Property , South: Ramakrishnappa's Property **Item No.2:** Western Portion of Site No.48/3, East:Chandrashekar's Property, West :Road, North: Sundaresh's Property , South: Ramakrishnappa's Property Area of Land: Total: 6240 Sq. ft. (Item No.1: 3120 Sq. ft. + Item No.2: 3120 Sq. ft.) **Item No.1:** East to West: 78 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet; **Item No.2:** East to West: 78 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet;	4) **Reserve Price: Rs.5,58,00,000/- EMD: Rs.55,80,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**			4) Physical Possession	
		5) All that piece and parcel of the under-constructed residential building constructed on Site No: 378, Municipal No. 301/300/378, Indian Institute of Science Employees House Building Co-operative Society Ltd., situated at J.R.D Tatanagara, Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore- 560092, bounded by: East: Road, West: Property No.367, North: Property No. 377, South: Property No. 379 Area of Land: East to West: 60 Feet; North to South: 40 Feet; Total of 2400 Sq. ft. with under-constructed building thereon	5) **Reserve Price: Rs. 2,64,00,000/- EMD: Rs.26,40,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**			5)Constructive Possession	
		6) All that piece and parcel of the residential vacant Site No: 17, New Khatha No. 2633/2673/148/17, situated at 11th Main Road, Adjacent to Tata Nagara, Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru- 560092, bounded by: East:Road, West:Site No.18, North: Site No. 19, South: Road Area of Land: [As per deed- East to West: 47 Feet; North to South: 60 Feet; Total of 2820.00 Sq. ft.] [As per Actual- East to West: (40+51)/2 Feet; North to South: 55 Feet; Total of 2502.50 Sq. ft.]	6) **Reserve Price: Rs. 1,28,50,000/- EMD: Rs. 12,85,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**			6) Physical Possession	
3)	**(1).M/S Bhavana Farms represented by its partners Mr. Sreenivasa, S.Uma & S Anitha** situated at No 208,11th Main, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bnagalore560086 **(2).Mr. N Sreenivas,** Residing at No.296,16th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bangalore-560080 **(3) Mrs. Uma,** Residing at No.296, 16th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bangalore-560080 **(4).Mrs. Anitha** Residing at No.296, 16th Cross, Sadashivanagar, Bangalore-560080.	All that piece and parcel of the EM of Property bearing Municipal No.17 (old No.315) Situated at 15th cross Road, Sadashivanagar, and Municipal Ward No.99 of Aramane Nagar, Bangalore and Measuring East to West: 61 Feet and North to South: 40 Feet totally admeasuring 2440 Sq. Feet along with construction thereon belonging to Mr. N. Sreenivasa and S. Uma and bounded by: East By: Property Bearing No.303, North By: Property Bearing No.314,WestBy: Road, South By: Road	**Reserve Price: Rs.7,61,00,000/- EMD: Rs. 76,10,000/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 Time: 5.00 PM**	**Rs.1,23,34,215.63 (Rupees One Crore Twenty Three Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen & Paise Sixty Three only) as on 31.10.2020 plus Further interest and other charges.**	**05.12.2020 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Constructive Possession	With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer
4)	**1) M/S. Pradhyun's Group represented by its partners a) Mr. Puneeth N Gowda & b) Mrs. Nikhitha P Gowda** having address at: No.32, 15th Cross, 3rd Main, Margosa Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore- 560 003 **Also at:** #3416, 1st Floor, 13th Main, 2nd Stage, Rajajinagar, Bangalore- 560 010 **2) Mr. Puneeth N Gowda & 3) Mrs. Nikhitha P Gowda both R/O** No.22, SMS Residency, HIG Colony, RMV 2nd Stage, Bangalore- 560 094 **4) Mrs. Renuka W/O K Vasanth Kumar R/O** #19/1, 6th Cross, Deve Gowda Block, Adugodi, Bangalore- 560 030 **5) Mr. Nanjunde Gowda R/O** #3416, 1st Floor, 13th Main, 2nd Stage, Rajajinagar, Bangalore- 560010 **Also at:** No.108, 3rd Cross, 4th Block, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore- 560 079	1) All that piece and parcel of the residential building constructed on No: 19/1 (Old No.19, Western Portion of Side), 6th Cross, Devegowda Block, Adugodi, Ward No.67, Bengaluru, Karnataka, bounded by: East:A schedule Property of Srinivas Murthy K, West: Narasaiah's Property, North: Property No. 8, South: Road Area of Land: Total: 600 Sq. ft., East to West: 20Feet, North to South: 30 Feet;	**1) Reserve Price: Rs.70,18,000/-, EMD: Rs.7,01,800/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020 , Time: 5.00 PM**	**Rs. 2,67,54,300.28 (Rupees Two Crore Sixty Seven Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred and Paisa Twenty Eight Only) as on 31.10.2020 plus Further interest and other charges there on**	**05.12.2020 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	1) Constructive Possession	With prior Appointment from Authorised Officer
		2) All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Municipal No: 09 (Old no.3416), PID No. 8-44-9, constructed in CITB Site No.3416 at 1st Main Road, 'C' Block, Gayathrinagar (earlier II Stage, Rajajinagar), Bangalore measuring East to West (43+42)/2 feet and Noth to South 30 feet with building thereon consisting of Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor bounded by: East: Road, West: Road, North: Property No. 3417, South: Property No.3416/A. Area of Land: Total: 1275 Sq. ft. East to West: (43+42)/2 Feet, North to South: 30 Feet;	**2) Reserve Price: Rs.2,02,79,000/-, EMD: Rs.20,27,900/-, Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/- Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020, Time: 5.00 PM**			2) Constructive Possession	
		3) All that piece and parcel of the immovable vacant residential site No: 35A, Sy. No.196 of Laggere Village, situated atLaggere Village, Ward No.75, Shankaramutta, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, Karnataka, bounded by: East: Road, West : Other's Land, North: Site No. 36, South: Other's Land Area of Land: Total: 1404 Sq. ft. East to West: 52Feet, North to South: 27 Feet;	**3) Reserve Price: Rs.1,38,99,000/- EMD: Rs.13,89,900/-, Bid Increment Amount: Rs. 50,000/-, Last Date & time of receipt of EMD Amount: 04.12.2020, Time: 5.00 PM**			3) Constructive Possession	

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https://ibapi.in. Also, prospective bidders may contact the authorized officer on Tel No. 080-25011210/204/280/350 Mobile 8959215809.

Date: 10-11-2020, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer, ZOSARB, Bank of Baroda**

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Trump fires def chief who balked at quelling protests with troops

Esper opposed Trump in June, saying military can't be used against protesters in US cities

EU slaps tariffs on US, but lauds prez-elect

Brussels: The EU pushed ahead on Monday with tariffs against several US imports as part of the long-running Boeing-Airbus row, despite hope for a trade truce following Joe Biden's election. The decision is the latest twist in the 16-year trade battle over aircraft subsidies that turned increasingly sour under the protectionist instincts of US President Donald Trump. Some had suggested Europe might delay the tit-for-tat levies after the victory of Biden, who is to replace Trump in January and is seen as more sympathetic to Europe and more of a multilateralist.

Mike Pence heading to vacation island

Washington: One week after Election Day, Vice President Mike Pence appears ready to take some time off. According to the Federal Aviation Administration, Pence is scheduled to travel to Sanibel, Florida, Tuesday through Saturday. Pence has vacationed on the island along Florida's Gulf Coast several times previously. Pence's office didn't immediately comment on the trip on Monday. The trip comes as Donald Trump has pledged to continue trying to contest the outcome of the election and as President-elect Joe Biden is ramping up his transition efforts.

WASHINGTON

US President Donald Trump fired Defense Secretary Mark Esper on Monday, a stunning move on the heels of Trump's failed reelection bid.

Presidents who win reelection often replace Cabinet members, including the secretary of defense, but losing presidents have kept their Pentagon chiefs in place until Inauguration Day to preserve stability in the name of national security.

Trump announced the news in a tweet, saying that "effective immediately" Christopher Miller, the director of the National Counterterrorism Center, will serve as acting secretary, sidestepping the department's No.2-ranking official, Deputy Defense Secretary David Norquist.

"Chris will do a GREAT job!" Trump tweeted. "Mark Esper has been terminated. I would like to thank him for his service."

Esper's strained relationship with Trump came close to collapse last summer during civil unrest that triggered a debate within the administration over the proper role of the military in combatting domestic unrest.

Outgoing American Defense Secretary Mark Esper (R) and his successor Christopher Miller (L), director of the National Counterterrorism Center | AFP

Esper's opposition to using active duty troops to help quell protests in Washington, DC, infuriated Trump, and led to wide speculation that the defense chief was prepared to quit if faced with such an issue again.

Officials familiar with internal discussions say Esper has been ready to resign for months, and as rumblings about Trump's unhappiness with him have grown, he's taken additional steps to prepare to step down.

Joe Biden charts course for his administration

Trump is facing pressure to cooperate with President-elect Joe Biden's team to ensure a smooth transfer of power when the new administration takes office in January.

The General Services Administration is tasked with formally recognizing Biden as president-elect, which begins the transition. But the agency's Trump-appointed administrator, Emily Murphy, has not started the process and has given no guidance on when she will do so.

That lack of clarity is fueling questions about whether Trump, who has not publicly recognized Biden's victory and has falsely claimed the election was stolen, will impede Democrats as they try to establish a government.

There is little precedent in the modern era of a president erecting such hurdles for his successor. The stakes are especially high this year because Biden will take office amid a raging pandemic. *AP*

Economy is Joe's next obstacle

Joe Biden will inherit a mangled U.S. economy — one that never fully healed from the coronavirus and could suffer again as new infections are climbing. The once robust recovery has shown signs of gasping after federal aid lapsed.

10 mn
remain jobless and more layoffs are becoming permanent. The Federal Reserve says factory output dropped. The unemployment rate is at 6.9%

1 in 6
restaurants was already closed in September, according to an industry survey

HOW MUCH STIMULUS WILL GET PASSED?

$1 trillion
Under a Republican-controlled Senate

or

$2.5 to $3 trillion
Under a Senate with Democratic majority

Source: Alec Phillips, an economist at Goldman Sachs

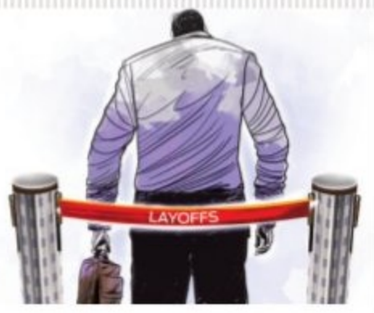
WORKING CLASS STILL SUFFERING

Households' annual income	Economic condition
$50,000	29% said they are falling behind financially
$1,00,000	26% said their finances are improving

Source: AP VoteCast survey of more than 110,000 voters

The US economy is operating at around 80% of total capacity to produce and consume. The US can afford to wait on additional fiscal aid, but the poor and working class are going to pay a terrible price

Joe Brusuelas, an economist at RSM



Biden plagiarism victim hails his election victory

LONDON

When he first ran for the White House in 1987, Joe Biden's candidacy was destroyed by a plagiarism row. But the British politician whose words he lifted has paid warm tribute to the new US president-elect.

Neil Kinnock, a former leader of Labour party, told AFP that Biden's qualities include "wise, adult calm, and that will ensure great service to the USA and, indeed, to the world".

"He's got a hell of a tough task in the present conditions of crisis," Kinnock, who also served in the European Union's executive commission, said in an email. "But he's a truly tough guy, and you can tell that because he just gets on with the job and doesn't boastfully proclaim his toughness continually like the last fellow -- what's his name?"

Biden, then a senator, was one of the favourites for the Democratic nomination ahead of the 1988 election. But during the campaign in 1987, he was forced to withdraw after it emerged that he had plagiarised from a speech given earlier that year by Kinnock. *AFP*

China, Russia not ready to congratulate Biden yet

PHILADEPHIA

Russian President Vladimir Putin won't congratulate President-elect Joe Biden until legal challenges to the U.S. election are resolved and the result is official, the Kremlin announced Monday.

Putin is one of a handful of world leaders who have not commented on Biden's victory, declared on Saturday.

The leaders of China, Brazil and Turkey also are holdouts in offering congratulations. And Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador also said he would wait to comment until the legal challenges were resolved. Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin offered a similar explanation of why President Xi Jinping has stayed silent.

"We understand the presidential election result will be determined following U.S. laws and procedures," he said.

Peskov suggested that when the time comes, a congratulatory message from Putin would come with all the expected protocol.

Russia is characteristically wary of Democratic US administrations because they tend to be more forward about criticizing Russia on human rights and democracy issues. *AP*

iPhone assembler admits labour abuses

SAN FRANCISCO

A Taiwan company crucial for the production of iPhones for tech giant Apple admitted Monday that working conditions for some students employed at a factory in China contravened agreed labor terms.

The company was reacting to a Bloomberg report that said Apple had suspended all new business with them after finding evidence of the labor violations and attempts to cover them up.

Pegatron "misclassified the student workers in their program and falsified paperwork to disguise violations of our Code, including allowing students" to work nights and overtime, Bloomberg quoted Apple as saying in its statement.

Employees "went to extraordinary lengths" to cover up the violations and the company has now placed the partner on probation until action is taken, it said.

In an email statement to AFP, the Taipei-listed Pegatron admitted that some students laborers at factories in the southeastern Chinese cities of Shanghai and Kunshan were made to work in conditions not compliant with agreed terms.

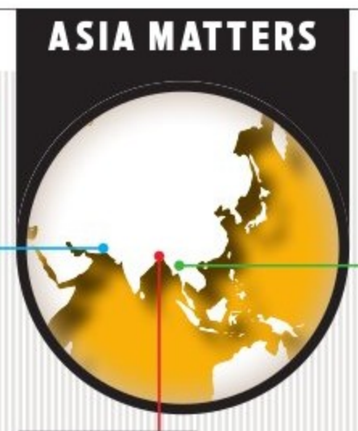
The company is crucial to the production of the iPhone and is involved in the creation of parts for the US firm's latest model, the iPhone 12.

Pegatron told AFP that some students were "identified working night shifts, overtime and in positions unrelated to their majors, which were not in compliance with local rules and regulations."

Pegatron said it removed the students, returning them to their homes or schools, and compensated them. It did not disclose how many students were removed or how much they were compensated.

It added that it had launched an external audit to strengthen the company's working conditions and ordered management to re-assess the company's code of conduct. *AFP*

ASIA MATTERS



PAKISTAN

Media mogul granted bail after months in jail

Pakistan's supreme court on Monday granted bail to the owner and editor-in-chief of country's largest independent group of newspapers and television stations, months after his arrest in a decades-old case related to allegations of tax evasion in a real estate purchase. Mir Shakilur Rehman's release comes amid increasing pressure on journalists in Pakistan by state institutions and security agencies. Human rights workers and activists also have been targeted in recent years. Rehman's Jang Group of Newspapers, which includes Geo TV, has been critical of the government. He was arrested in March in the eastern city of Lahore by the National Accountability Bureau. The bureau is pursuing an over 30-year-old case against him over a land sale, one it acknowledges did not defraud the government at the time.

BANGLADESH

Masks at places of worship made mandatory

Bangladesh has made wearing of masks mandatory at places of worship, including mosques, churches and temples, as the total number of cases crossed 4,20,000 in the country. The Religious Affairs Ministry, in a notice, said that people have become careless in their use of masks despite various guidelines issued by the ministry to wear them at all religious sites, the *Dhaka Tribune* reported on Sunday. 'So, fresh instructions have been issued to ensure social distancing, proper health guidelines, and the wearing of masks at religious sites," the notice said.

MYANMAR

Suu Kyi's party claims to have won majority in national polls

Myanmar's ruling National League for Democracy party said Monday that it has won enough seats in Parliament to constitute an absolute majority and retain power. It made the claim even though the state Union Election Commission has not yet released full results from Sunday's election. "I can now confirm that we're now securing more than 322 seats," said Monywa Aung Shin, a spokesperson for the NLD information committee. There are 642 seats in Parliament. "We were aiming to secure 377 seats in total. But it would be likely more than that," Monywa Aung Shin said. Yway Mal, an independent vote counting service, said the NLD had secured 64 seats and its main opponent, the Union Solidarity and Development Party, had won seven.

Morales returns to Bolivia after exile

VILLAZÓN

LEFTIST former president Evo Morales crossed the border from Argentina into Bolivia on Monday, ending a year-long exile that followed a failed bid for a controversial fourth term.

Morales was accompanied to the border by Argentine President Alberto Fernandez, before crossing on foot.

He is due to travel more than 1,000 kilometres by land from the border as part of a vehicle caravan that will pass through several villages and areas where he remains hugely popular.

"I had no doubt I would return, but I didn't know it would be so soon," Morales declared before crossing into Bolivia from the Argentine border town of La Quaica.

He thanked Fernandez, Argentina's left wing president, who, he said "saved my life".

Morales has spent 11 months in Argentina after he resigned as president and fled the country following three weeks of protests at his controversial re-election to an unconstitutional fourth term in October 2019.

'He's like our father'

Hundreds of people braved a chill wind in Villazon, on the Bolivian side of the border, since dawn as they waited to greet Morales, who ruled Bolivia for more than 13 years as its first indigenous president.

Wearing colorful traditional clothing and waving banners and the indigenous Wiphala flag, they acclaimed Morales' return with cheers.

"We are happy. He is like our father, the father of all these humble people. He has returned and will always be with us in our hearts," said Alejandra Choque, a 56-year-old housewife. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

Ukraine's Zelensky tests +ve for Covid

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky has tested positive for the novel coronavirus, his office said on Monday. "Unfortunately, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy has tested positive for the coronavirus infection," his office said in a statement on Facebook. It added that Zelensky "is feeling well" and will self-isolate and continue to perform his duties. Separately, in Belarus, over 800 people were detained by police during the latest in weeks of unprecedented demonstrations against strongman Alexander Lukashenko, as the opposition reached out to US President-elect Joe Biden.

Kosovo ex-president denies war crimes

Hashim Thaci, who resigned as Kosovo's president to face war crimes and other charges including murder, torture and persecution, said on Monday he denied all of the allegations he faces at a special court in the Netherlands. Thaci, 52, served as a guerrilla leader during Kosovo's war for independence from Serbia in the late 1990s, before rising to political prominence in the aftermath of the conflict that killed more than 10,000 people. An international prosecutor indicted Thaci and other former guerilla leaders on 10 charges of crimes against humanity and war crimes for his leadership of fighters.

Hong Kong oppn threatens to resign

HONG KONG

PRO-DEMOCRACY lawmakers in Hong Kong's legislature will resign "en masse" if Beijing's top law-making committee moves to disqualify four of their colleagues for violating the city's Basic Law, the convener of the bloc said.

The threat came ahead of a meeting of one of China's top law-making bodies, with Hong Kong media reporting that it was considering disqualifying four of the semi-autonomous city's legislators.

Hong Kong's democracy camp has been under sustained attack since Beijing imposed a sweeping national security law in response to huge and often violent protests last year, including political disqualifications, arrests for social media posts and activists fleeing overseas.

The National People's Congress Standing Committee will consider purging the four for violating their oaths by making quorum calls and filibustering in the chamber, local pro-Beijing media reported Monday.

"The pro-democratic camp has decided that if NPCSC decides to disqualify lawmakers, all pro-democratic lawmakers will resign en masse," Wu Chi-wai, head of the Democratic Party told a press conference Monday. "We have to tell the central government and we have to inform the people of Hong Kong that (what) the central government is trying to do with the people's representatives in Hong Kong is totally ridiculous," Wu said.

The chamber passes Hong Kong's laws, but only half of its seats are directly elected -- and a complex appointment system ensures the city's pro-Beijing establishment is all but guaranteed a handsome majority.

Scuffles and protests routinely break out, with the pro-democracy minority often resorting to filibustering. *AFP*

MAJOR ADVANCE

Long-acting drug highly effective in helping women avoid HIV infection

NAIROBI

RESEARCHERS are stopping a study early after finding that a shot of an experimental medicine every two months worked better than daily pills to help keep women from catching HIV from an infected sex partner.

The news is a boon for AIDS prevention efforts especially in Africa, where the study took place, and where women have few discreet ways of protecting themselves from infection. Results so far suggest that the drug, cabotegravir, was 89% more effective at preventing HIV infection than Truvada pills, although both reduce that risk.

The results mirror those announced earlier this year from a similar study testing the shots versus the daily pills in gay men.

A nurse (R), talks to a HIV-positive patient inside a gazebo that is used as a mobile clinic in Ngodwana, South Africa | AP

Cabotegravir is being developed by ViiV Healthcare, which is mostly owned by GlaxoSmithKline, with Pfizer Inc. and Shionogi Limited. The study was sponsored by the US National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and ViiV. .

"This is a major, major advance," said Dr. Anthony Fauci, the top infectious disease doctor at the NIH. "I don't think we can overemphasize the importance of this study.

It promises HIV prevention help to young women, "those who need it the most," Fauci added.

The study involved over 3,200 participants in seven African countries, who were randomly assigned to get either the shots every two months or daily Truvada pills. *AP*

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
704.37 ▲	Sensex	42,597.4	₹4 ▲	24 carat (1 gm)	₹5,223	₹10 ▼	Per kg	₹65,400	▼ Dollar		74.14
197.5 ▲	Nifty	12,461.05	₹4 ▲	22 carat (1 gm)	₹5,123	₹0.01 ◆	Per gm	₹65.4	▲ Euro		88.07

Five states to garner ₹7K cr from coal auction

Auction of 19 coal mines for commercial sale concluded with record bid placed for Chhattisgarh's Gare Palma 4/7

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

INDIA's first ever commercial coal auction is expected to generate about ₹7,000 crore annually for five states of Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Chhattigarh and Maharashtra, coal minister Pralhad Joshi said on Monday. The maximum revenue is expected to be earned by the Jharkhand government, which moved the Supreme Court against holding of the coal mines auction by the central government. The Jharkhand government will garner ₹2,690 crore, followed Madhya Pradesh government (₹1,724 crore), Odisha (₹1,059 crore) , Chhattisgarh (₹842 crore) and Maharashtra (₹321 crore).

The last day of coal block auction for private companies ended on a high note with Sarda Energy & Minerals Ltd placing a record bid for Gare Palma 4/7 mine at 66.75 per cent, surpassing seven other bidders including Adani Enterprises, Hindalco Industries and JSW Steel. The coal mine has a reserve of 239 million tonnes and 1.2 million tonnes per annum capacity. This is the highest revenue share offered by any bidder in the first tranche of commercial coal mine auctions that has seen participation from 40 private and two public sector firms. Overall, a total of 19 coal mines were auctioned.

66.75% Highest premium by Sarda Energy

29% Average premium offered

69,000 Projected employment generation

Among others the Aditya Birla group companies placed maximum highest bids for three coal mines, followed by two mines each were bid highest by Adani group companies, and two new players — JMS Mining and Aurobindo Realty and Infra. Vedanta and JSPL have placed the highest bids for just one coal mine each.

The commercial coal auction was based on revenue sharing formula, interestingly the smaller mines with new bidders saw more aggression on bids than the bigger coal mines and the companies.

Almost 65 per cent bidders were from the 'non-end user'. While launching the auctions, it was broadly expected that investors related to mining, power and clean coal sectors would explore opportunities. But it is interesting to note that participants in the bidding process also include players from several other sectors like Real Estate, Infrastructure, Pharma, etc," Joshi noted. The minister also claimed that the commercial mining will create an employment opportunity for about 69,000 across these five states.

Govt prioritises FY21 expenditure across ministries

SUNITHA NATTI

GOVERNMENT spending has been driving the economy for the past several quarters, yet data shows that both revenue and capital expenditure (capex) was lower in FY21 so far than FY20. For the first six months of this fiscal, while capex spending stood at 40 per cent of the budgeted amount as against 55 per cent the previous fiscal, only 50 per cent of the budgeted amount was spent towards revenue expenditure compared to 53 per cent in FY20.

The fiscal prudence exercised by the ministries under the directions of the government is understandable, but growth recovery depends on the intensity of spending during the rest of the fiscal. Data analysed by Care Ratings showed some interesting analysis. Of the top 10 ministries, which accounted for 82.5 per cent of the budgeted outlay constituted 87.5 per cent of expenditure in the first six months. Even within this set, five ministries have spent a lower proportion of the budgeted amount this year relative to last year.

As for capex, only three ministries including defence, roads and railways have been the biggest spenders having spent a combined ₹1.25 lakh crore, or nearly half of the budgeted ₹2.76 lakh crore for FY21.

"With MNREGA being increased, the expenditure of the Ministry of Rural Development has gone past the budgeted amount. Expenditure on defence has been lower this year as has roads due to the change in priorities," it noted.

It may be noted that as part of the stimulus programme, the government has vowed to spend another ₹25,000 crore by March, which means that the centre's total capex will increase from ₹4.12 lakh crore to ₹4.37 lakh crore. But how this will be financed remains to be seen, given revenue collection is subdued. So far, of the ₹22.46 lakh crore non-debt revenue, only 25 per cent has been realised as against 40 per cent last year. The shortfall of 15 per cent is about ₹3.36 lakh crore.

Disinvestments, which the government placed its bets early this year, is likely to disappoint with only five months left in the financial year. Though GST collections are showing promise, much depends on sustainability.

The government has already buffered in additional borrowing of ₹4.2 lakh crore thus increasing the fiscal deficit from the budgeted ₹7.96 lakh crore to a little over ₹13 lakh crore.

Care Ratings believes, besides the shortfall in the first half, there would also be deficits on disinvestment and non-tax revenue resulting in a total shortfall of ₹5.56 lakh crore. Besides, additional expenditure could be about ₹3.5-4 lakh crore, pushing up the fiscal deficit too close to ₹17.5-18 lakh crore in the absence of sharp expenditure cuts. It means, fiscal deficit may touch as high as 9 per cent in FY21.

CYBERSECURITY

India to draw up stricter security norms after BigBasket data breach

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CONCERNED with the recent spate of cyber breaches ranging from Prime Minister Narendra Modi's personal website to e-commerce companies, the government is working towards tightening data storage and security norms to avoid any major incident that can put citizens' data at risk.

Separately, a joint Parliamentary panel had last week sought details from digital companies about their protocols to check data breach. "We are concerned by the breach of data from e-commerce and other companies. There will of course be follow up actions in the regulatory space to see to it that customer data is kept safely by companies and financial institutions," said a government official.

Recently, e-grocer BigBasket landed in a soup when it accidentally put the data of over two crore users at stake. According to US-based cyber intelligence firm Cyble, the leaked data includes sensitive information such as full names, email IDs, password hashes, contact numbers, addresses, and more on the dark web. A hacker has put the data on sale for around ₹30 lakh.

Confirming the development, BigBasket said they are evaluating the extent of the breach in consultation with cybersecurity experts. "We have lodged a complaint with the Cyber Crime Cell in Bengaluru and intend to pursue this vigorously to bring the culprits to book," the company said.

₹3.94 lakh breaches

Nearly 3.94 lakh cybersecurity incidents were reported in 2019 as per information tracked by the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In)

Experts say it is nearly impossible to pull down data once available on the dark web. "Data security remains one of the last priorities for many e-commerce companies despite the Data Protection Bill, 2019 tabled by the government last year. Worse is that government apps and websites are more vulnerable to cyber breaches," said a senior executive at a leading cybersecurity firm.

According to Nasscom, India witnessed the second-highest number of cyber attacks in the world between 2016 and 2018.

Centre likely to roll over part of food, urea subsidy burden to next fiscal

JAYANTA ROY CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

THE government may resort to rolling over part of the subsidy burden for the current financial year to the next year as its subsidy bill for food and urea have both increased beyond what was planned for.

The extra rations distributed because of the Covid pandemic has seen the food subsidy bill for the first six months climb to 72 per cent of the budget estimate as against 67 per cent in the same period last year. Urea subsidy, that was also doled out with an open hand to try and pacify farmers who have been agitating over a variety of issues, has mounted to 92 per cent of the budgeted amount as against 70 per cent in the same period last year.

"Both these subsidies will top our estimates. Obviously, we did not plan for extra free rations to be disbursed. Similarly, we had thought this year we would be able to shift more farmers to nutrient-based fertilisers, but urea remains popular and its subsidy bill has been mounting," said expenditure department officials.

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>
> Expenditure department officials

Urea subsidies have cost the government ₹4.38 lakh crore as against a budget for ₹4.78 lakh crore in the first six months. Officials expect the budget to be topped by a nother ₹80,000 crore in urea subsidy pay-outs.

"That would also be at a conservative estimate, if urea prices were to go up, because of any reason, then the bill could go up further," officials added.

The food subsidy bill has also shot up as the Centre had announced the Garib Kalyan Yojana to take care of poor families hit by the pandemic. The scheme seeks to provide five kg of free wheat or rice per person every month to about 800 million people along with a kg of free lentils to each family per month during the period April - November 2020.

"There is every likelihood that the scheme will be extended, so the final bill will certainly cross the budgeted ₹1.15 lakh crore by at least 25-30 per cent," according to officials.

The government had stopped roll-overs of subsidies in 2020. Though analysts say there are still hidden subsidy bills which remain on the books of state-run PSUs.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

BIRLA CORPORATION

Current Price ₹676

Target Price ₹833

BCORP has revived the 1.2mtpa Kundanganj expansion and guided for the on-time commissioning of the 3.9mtpa integrated plant at Mukutban. The expansions provide strong visibility on growth as capacity utilization is running high at ~85%. BCORP plans to increase capacity by 25% over the next 12 months, which should support volume growth beyond FY22E.

— Motilal Oswal Securities Limited

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Finance Commission submits final report on tax devolution

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE NK Singh-headed 15th Finance Commission, the body that decides the shares of the Centre and states in all taxes and revenues of the nation, has submitted its final report to President Ram Nath Kovind on Monday.

The report is crucial as it will set the new fiscal roadmap for the centre and the state finances in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic when state finances are hit due to falling cess collection. Even as the report is long awaited by both states and the centre, it will be made public only after being tabled in Parliament along with an action-taken report by the Finance Ministry.

The Commission was constituted in 2017 after the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax (GST). It was supposed to recommend the fund-sharing formula between the Centre and the States from 2020-21 to 2024-25. However, its term was extended by 11 months. The Commission, in its final report, has factored issues including unpaid GST compensation dues to states, states's revenue projection and its views on compensation by the Centre for revenue losses owing to the implementation of the GST, especially in the light of post covid economic realities. It has also examined the viability of creating a separate defence and national security fund.

SMALL BANK

RBI lifts curbs on Equitas SFB

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has lifted the restrictions on Equitas Small Finance Bank (ESFB) with regard to opening of branches and remuneration freeze of MD & CEO at the then existing level, Equitas Holdings Ltd said in a communication to stock exchanges. The restrictions on the small finance bank were removed subsequent to the listing of its equity shares earlier this month.

"RBI vide its letter dated Nov 9, 2020 has acceded to request of the bank for lifting the regulatory restrictions," the lender said. The shares of Equitas were listed on stock exchanges NSE and BSE with effect from Nov. 2, 2020. The listing of the banking subsidiary has been in compliance with requirements of guidelines of licensing of small finance bank by RBI, Equitas Holdings said in a filing last week.

As per the guidelines, SFBs with net worth of ₹500 crore have to mandatorily list their shares within three years of starting operations. However, those below ₹500 crore net worth can list their shares voluntarily. The bank started its operations in September 2016.

Net profit for Equitas Small Finance more than doubled to ₹103 crore for the quarter ending September. It was ₹49 crore in the year-ago period.

The bank said disbursements during the quarter were at 80 per cent. Net interest income rose 32 per cent to ₹461 crore as against ₹351 crore in September 2019, the bank added.

Ashok Leyland remains vigilant on capital spend

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DESPITE the impact of Covid 19-led economic disruptions, Ashok Leyland has kept its capital expenditure (capex) plans intact for this financial year. The commercial vehicle major has proposed ₹750 crore capex for FY21 and has so far it has managed to spend ₹270 crore out of it. However, the company is extremely vigilant on its capex spending.

"We will be extremely tight and vigilant on the capex, but at the same time we need to be future ready," said Gopal Mahadevan, whole-time director & CFO of Ashok Leyland. He added that the company will continue to invest in enhancing its capabilities. Until the end of the second quarter, the money had been spent on modular platforms and to develop a new range of Light Commercial Vehicles (LCV) and the remaining ₹500 crore of the corpus will be invested in product range, capabilities and debottlenecking, said Mahadevan.

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He further highlighted that the company is also working on revamping its export strategy and will be focusing on increasning its exports by venturing into newer markets in Africa and SAARC countries. "Our product portfolio is much richer now. Our left-hand drive and right-hand drive range of products will enable us to cater to the international market," he said.

The CFO is also quite hopeful that in Q3 and Q4 the company will witness better sales. "The CV industry saw sales falling 75 per cent in April-September period of this fiscal as compared with the year-ago period, and with experts saying that total dip in volumes this year would be in the range of 25-30 per cent, it means that the industry will have to grow in the rest of the year, Mahadevan observed.

The firm has posted a loss of ₹147 crore during the September quarter as against a profit of ₹39 crore in the same quarter a year ago. Reacting to the results, Mahadevan said "this year we cannot compare year on year, since the whole of the first quarter was washed out. Sequentially, however, we are seeing improvement."

EXPRESS READ

Google Pay faces CCI probe over business practices

New Delhi: The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has ordered an investigation against internet giant Google for alleged unfair business practices around its digital wallet Google Pay. The CCI asked its Director General to investigate the alleged abuse of dominance by Google through its payments app. The main allegation centres around mandatory use of Google Play's payment system for paid apps and in-app purchases, and excluding other mobile wallets/UPI apps for such payments. The DG will have to submit the report in 60 days.

Paytm to disburse ₹1 K cr MSME loans by March

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

DIGITAL financial services platform Paytm aims to nearly double its loan disbursements for the micro- and small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) to ₹1,000 crore by March 2021. The company on Monday said it has expanded collateral-free loans of up to ₹5 lakh at a low-interest rate and daily EMI product customised for micro-merchants.

"These loans would help them digitise their business and diversify their operations, to improve their efficiency and support them to join the Digital India mission," the company said in a statement.

Paytm added it is committed towards the growth of MSMEs and it works out the credit worthiness of each merchant based on daily transaction patterns and then offers them a collateral-free loan in partnership with banks and non-banks. "With our collateral-free instant loans, we are trying to help kirana stores and other small businesses who have been left behind by the traditional banking sector and do not have easy access to loans," said Paytm Lending CEO Bhavesh Gupta.

TEPID DEMAND

Two-wheeler retail sales decline 27% in Oct

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

SALES of two-wheelers fell by a whopping 27 per cent in October even as most of the manufacturers reported a record rise in factory dispatches earlier this month. According to latest data issued by FADA, vehicle registration in October fell to 10,41,682 units from 14,23,394 units last year.

It may be noted that India's largest two-wheeler maker Hero MotorCorp had alone sold (wholesales) 7,91,137 units last month while domestic sales of top seven OEMs was stood at around 20 lakh units.

"October continues to see positive momentum on monthly basis but on a yearly basis the negative slide continues to increase. The nine days of Navratri witnessed robust vehicle registrations but could not save October from going in the red as compared to last year when both Navratri and Diwali were in the same month," said FADA President, Vinkesh Gulati. "While new launches continued to be in demand in the passenger vehicle segment, entry level motorcycles witnessed a lean demand in the two-wheeler segment. With supply side mismatch, most of the passenger vehicle dealers ended with limited stock of high selling items and odd variants which did not attract much demand. This coupled with lower discounts, compared to last festivals also played a spoilsport."

Passenger Vehicle (PV) registration fell by nine per cent to 2,49,860 units in October as against 2,73,980 units in the year ago month. According to the estimates, PV wholesale-sales is expected to be around 3.5 lakh units in October.

FADA numbers exclude figures from Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Lakshwadeep and Telangana as these states and UTs are not yet on Vahan 4.

"As we enter the last leg of festivals and with Covid getting into its third wave in many cities, there is a sense of cautiousness amongst customers," noted the retail body.

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No.DMG/STS/TMP/2020-21 Date: 07.11.2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tender documents are invited in Two Cover System from the eligible registered companies / firm / agencies / (incorporated under companies act 1956) for **PROVIDING SERVICES OF MAN POWER THROUGH OUTSOURCE** to the Department of Mines & Geology. Tender documents can be downloaded from the e-Procurement website **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** . Last date for submission of tender is **30.11.2020, Time: 23:59 hrs.** Bids shall be submitted online through e-procurement platform only.

Sd/-
Tender Inviting Authority
Department of Mines & Geology, Bengaluru

DIPR/DDU/KC/1595/2020-21

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Short-Term Tender Notification (Single Cover System) (Through e-procurement) KW-1 & 2

I.F.T. No.:29/2020-21 **Date:07.11.2020**

Tender is invited in single cover system through e-procurement for below mentioned work as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 and Rules 2000 in Standard Tender Document K.W.-1from Class 4 (up to Rs. 25 lakhs) and above contractors registered in Public Works Department for 11 Nos. works approved in Shivamogga, Bhadravathi and Thirthahalli Taluks under 8443 Deposit Contribution, 3054 Rain Damage Repair Head of Account. Amount put to tender for the said work, Maximum Rs. 50.00 lakhs & Minimum Rs. 10.00 lakhs and E.M.D. Amount Maximum Rs. 1.00 lakh & Minimum Rs. 0.25 lakh. Tender Period for the said works is 04 months including rainy season. The undersigned has invited tender for the said works.

Eligible contractors should see the eligibility details as per Clause–3 of tender document section-2 (Instructions to Tenderers) through e-procurement portal http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in Can be downloaded from the website from 10.11.2020 to 20.11.2020. Last date for receipt of Tender: 20.11.2020. up to 17.00 hrs. Further details if required, can be obtained from this office during office hours. The tender details in the website are final.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWP&I.W.T. Department, Special Division, Shivamogga

DIPR/smg/No.34/11/mca/2020-21

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is hereby informed that my client is desirous to purchase the schedule property belonging to Smt.Indira Shivaswamy, wife of late S Shivaswamy, aged about 73 years, residing at No:516, Third "A" Cross, RMV Second Stage, Third Block, Bangalore – 560 094;

It is informed to my client that Smt.Indira Shivaswamy has lost the following Original documents in respect of the schedule property and in the said circumstances, Smt. Indira Shivaswamy, has filed two Lost Article Reports on 07-11-2020 vide Lost Report Nos: 142684/2020 and 142705/2020, with the Crime Branch Bengaluru City Police;

I) Possession Certificate dated 17-06-1960/06-07-1960 vide PR No:577/1960-61, issued by Engineer Officer, City Improvement Trust Board, Bangalore and issued in favour of Sri S R Krishna Rao son of Sri. S Ramarao;

ii) Sale Deed dt:27-05-1962 executed by Sri.S R Krishna Rao in favour of Smt. S Savithramma and registered as Document No:2442/1962-63, Book I, Volume 325, Pages 102 to 105 and registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Bangalore City South;

iii) Sale Deed dt:13-08-1971 executed by City Improvement Trust Board, Bangalore, represented by its Chairman in favour of Smt.S Savithramma and registered as Document No:1613/1971-72, Book I, Volume 151, Pages 202 to 204 and registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Jayanagar, Bangalore;

iv) Discharge Deed dated 20-11-1990 executed by Life Insurance Corporation of India, represented by Senior Divisional Manager in favour of Sri.S Shiva Swamy and Smt. S R Indira and registered as Document No:2377/1990-91, Book I, Volume 1394, Page 161 and registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Jayanagar, Bangalore;

v) Revenue Records issued by City Improvement Trust Board, Bangalore / Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore, Bangalore City Corporation Bangalore and Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore and Old Tax paid receipt/s;

Public are informed that the finder/s of the above document/s, are requested to hand over the same to the undersigned and they will be suitably rewarded. General Public are also warned not to enter into any transactions based on the above missing documents and any such transactions will not be binding and any person/s, having any claim over the schedule property, may lodge their objections or claims, in writing with all supporting documentary evidence by registered post with regard to such claim with the undersigned, within 10 (Ten) days hereof, failing which my client will proceed to finalize and conclude the sale transaction on the basis that there are no claims. Any claims lodged thereafter will not be entertained by my client;

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of entire residential property bearing Municipal No:28 (CITB No:396, later 396/28), situated at Forty Third Cross Road, Eighth Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, Corporation Ward No:179 (old Ward No:58), PID No:58-94-28, together with structures standing thereon and bounded on the :

East By : Property bearing CITB No:395;
West By : Property bearing CITB No:397;
North By : Property bearing CITB No:391;
South By : Road;
MEASURING : East to West : 30 ft.; North to South : 50 ft.,;
In all ad-measuring 1,500 Sq.Ft.;

N S SATYANARAYANA GUPTA
K S NAYAK, N S RACHANA, N C JANARDHAN, Advocates
Rachana Law Associates
"Lakshmideep", I Floor, No:2980, 17th Cross, Banashankari II Stage, BANGALORE – 560 070. Ph : 9731333880 Dt : 09-11-2020

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Phone No: 08539 – 222318 Fax No: 08539 - 222317
email : eepwdkpl2@gmail.com

IFT No. PWD:DK:BD:KW_4:2019-20:2156
Date: 06.11.2020

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)

1. The Executive Engineer, Public Works, Ports & Inland Water Transport Department Division Koppal invites tenders from the eligible tenderers as per standard bid documents **KW-4** on **e-Procurement Portal**, for the work as detailed in the table below under **Head of Account : 4059 Department Builidng ofr the year 2020-21.** The tenderers may submit tenders for the work given in the Table Two cover Tender procedure as per Rule 28 of the KTPP Act shall be followed. The Tenderers are required to submit the Earnest Money deposit and the details of their capability to undertake the tender. The Technical bid will be opened first and the second containing the price tender which will be opened only if the Technical Bid Tenderer is found to be qualified. The Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in the instructions to Tenderers to qualify for award of the contract.

For more information the contractor can contact the under signed during office hours on Phone Number 08539 – 222318 and all informations regarding tenders can be had from website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** The tender documents can be downloaded from the above website address on or after **06.11.2020. TABLE**

Work indent No: KPWD/2020-21/BD/WORK_INDENT 127742. **Name of the work:** CONSTRUCTION OF 'SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR LOCAL AUDIT CIRCLE OFFICE' IN KOPPAL DIST. **Estimate Cost(Rs. in Lakhs):** 147.28

1. Last date & time for receipt of tenders: 27.11.2020 Time 16.00 hours.**2. Date and time for opening of technical bid :** 30-11-2020 Time 11.00 hours. **3. Date and time for opening of financial bid :**04.12.2020 Time 11.00 hours

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Koppal.

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APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Symbolic** possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank,Halasuru Branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 25.11.2020 for recovery of **Rs. 9,17,935/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Seventeen Thousand Nine hundred and thirty five only)** (as on 07/11/2020) due to the Indian Bank, Halasuru Branch, Secured Creditor, from Mr. K.S Durga Prasad & Meenakshi T.P., Halmathur Post, Koppa Taluk, Chikmagalur - 577126

The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

Detailed description of the property	All that piece and parcel of Residential Site bearing no 47, V P Khatha no 373, measuring East to West 50 ft, North to South on the Eastern Side 31.3 ft and North to South on the Western Side 27.10 ft, totally 1477 sq ft in the layout known as Green Meadows situated at Kurubarahalli Village, Jangamakote Hobli, Shidlaghatta Taluk, Chikballapura District. The ALN.SR Sy no 33, ID No 152800601700220078 which is formed in the above composite schedule property and bounded by:East: Site no 48, West: Road,North: Site no 46,South: Private Property (Sy no 30).
Encumbrances on property	NIL
Reserve Price	Rs.11,00,000/- (Rupees Eleven lakhs only)
EMD Amount	Rs.1,10,000/- (Rupees One lakh Ten thousand only)
Bid incremental amount	Rs.10,000/-
Date and time of e-auction	**25.11.2020 between 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm**
Property ID No	IDIB000U01

Bidders are advised to visit the website (**www.mstcecommerce.com**) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-22901004 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com and for EMD status please contact ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: **https://ibapi.in** and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.

Date : Bangalore
Place : 09.11.2020

Authorised Officer
Indian Bank

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ಸಂ: 35/2020–2021 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03.11.2020

ಮಂಡ್ಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಮಳವಳ್ಳಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ರಸ್ತೆ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ/ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಹಾಗೂ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ದುರಸ್ಥಿ/ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಐಟಂವಾರು ದರದ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಕೆಳಗೆ ಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ **KW-1, 2, 3**ರ ರೀತಿ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05.11.2020** ರಿಂದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿಚಾರಣೆ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17.11.2020 ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ**, ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17.11.2020 ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ**, ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18.11.2020 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ. ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 20.11.2020 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ** ಅಥವಾ ನಂತರದ ಕೆಲಸದ ದಿನಗಳು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆ ಬೆಲೆ ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ರಂತೆ. **ಕಾಲಮಿತಿ:** ಮಳೆಗಾಲ ಸೇರಿ 2 ಅಥವಾ 3 ತಿಂಗಳು ಒಟ್ಟು 11 (ಹನ್ನೊಂದು) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಪೈಕಿ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ **ರೂ.74.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು** ಕನಿಷ್ಠ **ರೂ.6.00 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು** ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಬೆಲೆ ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ರಂತೆ ಕೆಲಸಗಳ ವಿವರ, ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ ಮುಂತಾದ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸದರಿ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಮುಂದಿನ ಯಾವುದೇ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿಗಳು ಅಥವಾ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳು ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರವೇ ಮಾತ್ರ ಪ್ರಚುರಪಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

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I, NISHA DATTARAM GAWADE W/o. Army No. 13627470M NK Gawade Dattaram Sonaba have declare in my husband's Army documents my name was mentioned as GWADE NISHA DATTARAM but my correct name is NISHA DATTARAM GAWADE vide affidavit dated 04/11/2020 sworn before notary Sivakumar .M.N, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VEENA SOMASHEKAR**, residing at No.13-18/2, Sri. Mathrusree Nilaya, 1st Main, Near Om Shakthi Temple, Shanthi Nagar, Hongasandra, Begur, Bengaluru-560114, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VEENA SOMASHEKAR** to **WEENA SOMSHEKARU**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **WEENA SOMSHEKARU** only, vide affidavit dated 07.11.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **H.G. VENKATARAMU**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, No. 2598618F RANK : EX HAV NAME : BASAGOND ALIBADI residing at Block No. D1, # 09, 2nd Floor, Cement Lane Police Quarters, Austin Town BENGALURU - 560047. Have changed my minor son's name from VINIT ALIBADI To **VINIT B ALIBADI** Vide affidavit dated : 02 Nov 2020 sworn before notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) P.ARUNA, Spouse of 15316775A HAV Mohan Dass R N, residing at No. 122, 4th Cross, 2nd Main, Viveknagar, Further Extension, Bangalore-560047, Karnataka, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) P.ARUNA** to **(NEW NAME) M.ARUNA** vide affidavit Dated 07/11/2020 sworn before Notary Gangaraju.B.N., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SANTUSH KUMAR MAHAANA,** S/o Sri. Narottam Mahana, Presently residing at Wing 10-901, AHAD Euphoria, Sarjapura Main Road, Carmelaram, Bangalore-560035, have changed my name from SANTOSH KUMAR MAHANA to **" SANTUSH KUMAR MAHAANA"**, vide affidavit dated: 03.11.2020 sworn before notary Harisha.G, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHARANYA VANDITHA**, residing at No.13-18/2, Sri. Mathrusree Nilaya, 1st Main, Near Om Shakthi Temple, Shanthi Nagar, Hongasandra, Begur, Bengaluru-560114, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHARANYA VANDITHA** to **SHARANYAA VANDITHA**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **SHARANYAA VANDITHA** only, vide affidavit dated 07.11.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **H.G. VENKATARAMU**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, No. 2598618F RANK : EX HAV NAME : BASAGOND ALIBADI residing at Block No. D1, # 09, 2nd Floor, Cement Lane Police Quarters, Austin Town BENGALURU - 560047. Have changed my minor son's name from VIKHYAT To **VIKHYAT B ALIBADI** Vide affidavit dated : 02 Nov 2020 sworn before notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) WASIMULAL HASEEB NAIMULLA KHAN, residing at No. 38, 60th ft Road, Boopasandra RMV Extn 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560094, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) WASIMULAL HASEEB NAIMULLA KHAN** to **(NEW NAME) WASIMUL HASEEB** vide affidavit Dated 09/11/2020 sworn before Notary N.Nagappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **AMANI ALAVALA**, W/o Sushant Kumar Alavala, aged about 25 years, R/at No.158/33, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Canara Bank Colony, Chikkalasandra, Bangalore 560061, Karnataka, have changed my name from **AMANI BANGARU** to **"AMANI ALAVALA"**. vide affidavit dated 07.11.2020 sworn to before Notary **Neha Baddi,** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SOMASHEKAR**, residing at No.13-18/2, Sri. Mathrusree Nilaya, 1st Main, Near Om Shakthi Temple, Shanthi Nagar, Hongasandra, Begur, Bengaluru-560114, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SOMASHEKAR** to **SOMSHEKARU**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **SOMSHEKARU** only, vide affidavit dated 07.11.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **H.G. VENKATARAMU**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO. JC 313016H NB/SUB M.Lourdu Francis Xavier Unit MT Coy, Depot BN, MEG & Centre, Bengaluru-560042, have changed my Son name from **PAULKUMAR** to **PAULKUMAR.L.** vide affidavit Dated 04/11/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) AASTI SAMAHON, Residing at No. 627, 2nd Floor, 3rd Stage, Near Siddhartha School, Pillanna Garden, St. Thomas Town, Bangalore-560084, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) AASTI SAMAHON** to **(NEW NAME) PUTHRI AASTI SAMAHON** vide affidavit Dated 09/11/2020 sworn before Notary N.Nagappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, **KOTRESH S. DESHAGATI** (Father) and **PUSHPA.V** (Mother) R/at No.26(15), 9th main Road, Shivanagar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore -560010, have changed our Son's Name From **GIRISH K. DESHAGATI** To **GAURAV K. DESHAGATI** vide affidavit dated:9/11/2020 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KAVITHA MADHUSUDAN,** W/o Late K.S. MADHU SUDHAN, aged about 51 years, residing at 2533, 28th Cross, 22nd Main, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KAVITHA MADHUSUDAN** to **KAVITA VEMBAKAM,** vide affidavit dated 09.11.2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **V. RANGARAJU,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, TAMIL ARASI.K, Spouse of No. 15320233N L/HAV M.Kumar residing at Valavandal Puram (Vill) Chola Puram South (Post) Sankaran Kovil (Taluk) Nellai (Dist) Tamil Nadu (State) PIN:626139, have changed my name from **TAMIL ARASI.K** to **TAMIL ARASI.M** vide affidavit Dated 04/11/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) ISHANI KARKI, W/o. Akshay Ashok Kudva, residing at No. B-1403, Magnolia Block, Brigade Millennium, J.P.Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore-560078, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) ISHANI KARKI KUDVA** vide affidavit Dated 05/11/2020 sworn before Notary T.C.Thimmaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ASMA.R .,** R/at No.101, 11th block, Shivajinagar Police Quarters, H.K.P Road, Bangalore -560051 have changed my name to **ASMA ALTHAF** vide affidavit dated:9/11/2020 Before Notary **B.M.Chandrashekar** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MARIA CAROLINA .R**, W/o ADIL HUSSAIN MIR, residing at No.711, 2nd Floor, 11th Cross, 16th Main Road, B.T.M 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560076, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MARIA CAROLINA .R** to **HANIYAH MIR**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **HANIYAH MIR** only, vide affidavit dated 07.11.2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NAGALLA PARVATHI, Spouse of No. 15328905K Hav Ramakrishnarao Sabbi, residing at Mettavalasa (Vill) Palakhandyam (Post) G.Sigadam (Mandal) Srikakulam (Dist) Andhra Pradesh (State) PIN:532168, have changed my name from **NAGALLA PARVATHI** to **PARVATHI SABBI** vide affidavit Dated 06/11/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAJU**, R/at No.916, 3rd Cross, R.K.Hegdenagar, near New Krishna Sagar, Dr.Shivarama Karanth Nagar, Bangalore-560077, have changed my name to **RAJU VINAY KUMAR SINGH** vide affidavit dated: 9/11/2020 Before Notary **B.M.Chandrashekar** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **WAJEED KHAN**, S/o Basheer Khan .H.M, aged about 25 years, Residing at No. 562, 6th Main, 4th Stage, RR Nagar, Bangalore-560098, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **WAJEED KHAN** to **VARUN .H.B,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **VARUN .H.B** only, vide affidavit dated 09.11.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **D. GUNA SHEKAR,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, YALLA SATYAVATHI, Spouse of No. 15327024Y L/NK Seera Tirupati Residing at Janumallu Valasa (Vill & Post) Seethanagaram (Mandal) Vizianagaram (Dist) Andhra Pradesh (State) PIN:535558, have changed my name from **YALLA SATYAVATHI** to **SEERA SATYAVATHI** vide affidavit Dated 06/11/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Vipul Hirawat S/o Kamal Singh Hirawat residing at #141, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, 3rd Main, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore 560079 hereby state that Vipul Kamal Singh Hirawat name has been changed to **VIPUL HIRAWAT** with immediate effect. This is being sworn in front of Notary H R Karunakar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010, vide affidavit dated 6th November 2020.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ABINAV SHANKAR NARAYAN**, S/o Late Shri. Manjeri Ramakrishna Kumar, aged about 36 years, residing at #C-102, Sommerset Apartment, Trinity Circle, M.G. Road, Bengaluru-560001, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ABINAV SHANKAR NARAYAN** to **ABHINAV ASHOK KUMAR**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **ABHINAV ASHOK KUMAR** only, vide affidavit dated 09.11.2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO. 15320233N L/HAV M.Kumar Unit 441 FD Coy 18 ENGR REGT C/O 99 APO, PIN:914018, have changed my Daughter's name from **MUTHU VARSHINI** to **MUTHU VARSHINI.K** vide affidavit Dated 04/11/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

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The General Public are hereby notified that we, **M/s Vijaya Bank Employees' Housing Co-operative Society Ltd.,** propose to purchase the property described in the schedule below, from the owners mentioned therein. Any person or persons, including any public or private financial institutions or private financiers having any claims in respect of the Scheduled properties or objections for the proposed sale may lodge, their claims/ objections within 7 days (Seven days) from the date of publication of this notice with supporting documents to the office of the Society, failing which we shall proceed to complete the Sale transaction thereafter.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of land as detailed herein below, situated at Muddapura Karenahalli & Kenchanakuppe Village,Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagar Tq. and District.

SL.No.	Sy.No.	Name of the Village	Extent A & G	Name of the Owners
1	50/3	Muddapura Karenahalli	03.02	Smt. Chandramma, Sri. Honnaiah& others
2	171/3	Kenchanakuppe	00.20	Smt. Parvathamma , Smt. Chandramma & others
3	50/6	Muddapura Karenahalli	00.15	Sri. Sathyappa S/o. Basappa

Date: 09.11.2020
Place: Bangalore

By the order of the Board
Sd/- (K.Vishwanath Naik)
President

UCO BANK

(A Govt of India undertaking)

Ramamurthy Nagar Branch : Narayanappa Buildng, Ramamurthy Nagar Main Road, Bangalore - 560016.

POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property) [Rule 8(1)]

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the UCO Bank, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued the Demand Notice dated **02.09.2020** calling upon the Borrower, **Mr. Shivkumar L S/o Lingappa D, No.7 & 8, 22nd B Cross, Malagala Main Road, Nagarbhavi 2nd Stage, Nagarbhavi, Bangalore - 560072** to repay the amount in the Notice being A/c : **16290610022146, Rs.49,67,013/- (Rupees Forty Nine Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Thirteen Only)** as on **30.06.2020** with further interest with effect from **01.07.2020** and incidental expenses, Cots, etc., within 60 days from the date of notice/date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 9 on **05.11.2020.**

The Borrower and guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the UCO BANK for amount of being A/c : **16290610022146, Rs.49,67,013/- (Rupees Forty Nine Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Thirteen Only)** as on **30.06.2020** with further interest with further interest with effect from **01.07.2020** and incidental expenses, Cots, etc.,

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section-13 of the act in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY.

All that part and parcel of immovable property standing in the name of Mr.Shivkumar L S S/o Lingappa D Flat bearing No.A-206, Khata No.117/148/3 & E-Khata No.150300401000120674, "A" wing in 2nd Floor, measuring 1110 Sq.ft Super built up area containing 2 bed Rooms together with RCC roofing, vitrified flooring. One common toilet and One attached toilet with one covered car parking space, 563.05 Sq.ft undivided interest in the immovable property bearing converted Sy No.148/3, of Kannurahalli Village and including proportianate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, stair case, contained in the multistoried building knows as **NISARGA CAPITAL APARTMENTS** constructed in converted Sy no.148/3 of Kannurahalli Village, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on the **East by :** Nisarga Capital Block, **West by :** 2 Mtr Wide Corridors, **North by :** Remaning land in Sy No.148/3 and **South by :** Flat bearing No.A207.

Date : 05.11.2020
Place: Bangalore

Authorised Officer
UCO BANK

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REGIONAL OFFICE - BANGALORE SOUTH
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Bangalore - 56001 Ph: 22958250, 22958251

DEMAND NOTICE

(Under Sub Section (2) of Section 13 of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter Called Act)

At your request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its **Bangalore Jayanagar Branch.** The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement / documents & creation of mortgage by way of deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/credit facilities have become irregular, the debt has been classified as Non Performing Asset (NPA) in accordance with the directives / guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrowers in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the Demand Notice dated 09.03.2020 issued under section13(2) of the above said Act sent by registered AD calling upon you, was un-served / not acknowledged, this Notice/publication is now issued.

Name & Address of Borrowers: 1. Mr. Anil vara Prasad Rao (Borrower) at No 10/30/1-11 th main, Bombay Dyeing road, Above Amma's Pastries. Gokula first stage, 2nd phase, Bangalore 560054.

2. Mrs. Molaka Oenkata Lakshmi (Guarantor) At 21/1, 6thCross, 2nd Main, near Manjunatha Medical, B K Nagar, Yeshawanthpura, Bangalore North Bengaluru, Karnataka 560022.

Description of the Schedule Properties: 1. All that piece and parcel of land derived as Plot no.12 in the approved layout of Angel Garden, CMDA layout approval reference number REPPD/LO(regularization-2017) No1354/2019 dated 30.05.2019 and planning permit No 12504 dated 30.05.2019 to an extent of 988 sq. ft comprised in survey no, 166/3 166/4 & 166/5 situated at Pandeswaram Village, Villivakkam Panchayat union, Avadi taluk, Tiruvallur District. Tamil Nadu -600055 being bounded on the North by : Plot No 11 of Angel Garden, South By : Plot No 13 of Angel Garden, East By : Land comprised in Sy. No. 165/169, West By: 18 feet road.

2. All that piece and parcel of land derived as Plot No 13 in the approved layout of Angel Garden, CMDA layout approval reference number REPPD/LO (regularization-2017) No1354/2019 dated 30.05.2019 and planning permit No12504 dated 30.05.2019. to an extent of 970 sq.ft comprised in survey no.166/3 166/4 &166/5 situated at Pandeswaram Village, Villivakkam Panchayat union, Avadi taluk, Tiruvallur district, Tamil Nadu -600055 being bounded on the North by : Plot No 12 of Angel Garden, South By plot No 14 of Angel Garden, East By : land comprised in Sy. No.169, West By :18 feet road.

3. All that piece and parcel of land derived as Plot No 14 in the approved layout of Angel Garden, CMDA layout approval reference number REPPD/LO (regularization-2017) No1354/2019 dated 30.05.2019 and planning permit No 12504 dated 30.05.2019 to an extent of 870 sq. ft comprised in survey no. 166/3 166/4 & 166/5 situated at Pandeswaram Village, Villivakkam panchayat union, Avadi Taluk, Tiruvallur District, Tamil Nadu- 600055 being bounded on the North by: Plot No 13 of Angel Garden, South By: plot No 15 Angel Garden, East By. land comprised in Sy. No. 169, West By. 18 feet road.

4. All that piece and parcel of land derived as Plot No 7 in the approved layout of Angel Garden, CMDA layout approval reference number REPPD/LO (regularization-2017) No1354/2019 dated 30.05.2019 and planning permit No 12504 dated 30.05.2019 to an extent of 620 sq.ft comprised in survey no.166/3 166/4 & 166/5 situated at Pandeswaram Village, Villivakkam Panchayat union, Avadi taluk, Tiruvallur district. Tamil Nadu 600055 being bounded on the North by : Land Comprised in Sy. No. 166/2, South By : 18 feet Road, East By: Plot No 8 of Angel Garden. West By : Plot No 6 of Angel Garden

5. All that piece and parcel of land derived as Plot no 8 in the approved layout of Angel Garden, CMDA layout approval reference number REPPD/LO (regularization-2017) No1354/2019 dated 30.05.2019 and planning permit No 12504 dated 30.05.2019 to an extent of 775 sq. ft comprised in survey no.166/3 166/4&166/5 situated at Pandeswaram Village, Villivakkam Panchayat union, Avadi taluk, Tiruvallur district. Tamil Nadu 600055 being bounded on the North by : Land Comprised in Sy. No. 166/2, South By 18 feet road, East By: Park of Angel Garden. West By : Plot No 7 of Angel Garden.

Total Amount due: Rs.35,62,761.34 (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty One and Paise Thirty Four only) together with contractual rate of interest from 01.11.2019.

NPA Date: 29.02.2020 **Demand Notice Date: 09.03.2020**

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank, Please take note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFEASI Act the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you oly till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease , assignment or sale of the secured assets.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 10.11.2020

Sd/- Authorised Officer
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Living in bubble not sustainable: Starc

Australian pace spearhead Mitchell Starc has become the latest cricketer to raise concerns over the mental well-being of players staying in a bio-bubble as he feels it is "not sustainable" to live in such restrictions for a prolonged period. "It's not a sustainable lifestyle," Starc was quoted as saying by *'cricket.com.au'*.

Kohli to be missed, big Test for Rohit Down Under

Daunting task awaits India in captain's absence, Rahane to lead

VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

TWO things stood out in the Board of Control for Cricket in India's (BCCI) status update on the touring contingent to Australia. Apart from confirming the injury of Wriddiman Saha and Varun Chakravarthy, the permission to grant paternity leave to captain Virat Kohli received praise. But equally eyebrow-raising was the decision to rest Rohit Sharma for the T20 and ODI series, while he continues to play for Mumbai Indians in the IPL.

Let's begin with Kohli. Apart from taking the gloss out of the iconic series, his absence will create a big void, especially when one considers his record Down Under as India look to defend the Border-Gavaskar Trophy. Since making his maiden century in 2012, the right-hander scored five more in two tours in 2014-15 and 2017-18, the joint-most by an Indian in Australia alongside Sachin Tendulkar. And since 2011, his 1,274 runs Down Under in 12 Tests is the second best for any touring batsman after Alastair Cook's 1388 in 15 Tests.

Kohli will return home after playing the first Test in Adelaide, which will be a day/night affair. In his absence, Ajinkya Rahane will lead the side as he is the designated vice-captain. The BCCI doesn't mention paternity/maternity leaves in its player contracts. Going forward, it should review its policy as it has become a necessity of the time, given the time players spend away from their families. While Rohit availed it in 2017-18, not all have been forthcoming because of the fear of missing their place in the side. "When it comes to senior players, they are usually confident with such approach because they know their place is secured. But a young player or one who is just coming in, will think twice. The BCCI has granted them leave and in future (they) may even change the policy," said former selection panel chief MSK Prasad.

In 2019, Cricket Australia brought in a policy which allows female players to take 12 months of maternity leave with pay with the option of extending the contract by a year. Similarly, men are allowed up to three weeks to be with their partners. They also provide travel support.

Now back to Rohit. After being left out of the touring party, he now finds a place in the Test squad, a decision which might have been forced by Kohli's non-availability. With BCCI stating that it will rest him from the ODIs and T20Is to regain full fitness, why it allows him to play in the IPL remains a mystery. If it is a case of player refusing to adhere to guidelines, it is even more worrying.

UPDATES FROM BCCI

- Virat Kohli granted paternity leave, to return to India after first Test
- Rohit Sharma included in the Test squad alone
- Ishant Sharma will be included in Test squad after recovery
- Sanju Samson added to ODI squad as additional keeper
- Injured Varun Chakravarthy ruled out of T20I series, left-arm pacer T Natarajan named replacement
- A call on the availability of the injured Wriddhiman Saha will be taken later

ALL FOR GLORY

On the cusp of a record fifth title, defending champions Mumbai Indians take on Delhi Capitals in Indian Premier League final in Dubai on Tuesday. Here are a few talking points...

BOULT INJURY CONCERN

Ahead of the final, Mumbai will be sweating over the availability of their pacer Trent Boult, who suffered a groin injury in Qualifier 1. Though the Kiwi was seen bowling in the nets on the eve of the final, it is not clear if he is fully fit for Tuesday's game.

RACE FOR PURPLE CAP

Delhi's Kagiso Rabada snatched the Purple Cap from Jasprit Bumrah after scalping four in the Qualifier 2 to take his wicket tally to 29. Mumbai's pace spearhead is not too far with 27 wickets. With both pacers in red-hot form, the final will see a mini-competition of sorts between them for the Purple Cap.

OPENING ISSUE SORTED?

Delhi addressed their opening woes by dropping Prithvi Shaw and making Marcus Stoinis to bat with Shikhar Dhawan in the Qualifier 2. The move worked as the duo's solid first wicket partnership helped the team post a big total. Shreyas Iyer & Co will again hope for their new pair to fire at the top against a dominant Mumbai.

1

This is the first Indian Premier League final for Delhi Capitals.

603

No of runs hit by Shikhar Dhawan this season, second most.

2

If Mumbai defend their title, it will be the second instance of a team doing so in IPL.

WT20 CHALLENGE

TRAILBLAZERS CHAMPIONS

SHARJAH: Bangladesh spinner Salma Khatun took three wickets as Trailblazers defended 118 against Supernovas to emerge champions of the Women's T20 Challenge on Monday. Batting first, Smriti Mandhana & Co looked set for a big total as they were placed 71/0 at the end of 11 overs. But left-arm spinner Radha Yadav took five wickets to restict Trailblazers to low total. However, that proved sufficient as Supernovas kept losing wickets at regular intervals to lose the match by 16 runs.

Brief scores: Trailblazers 118/8 in 20 ovs (Smriti 68; Radha 5/16) bt Supernovas 102/7 in 20 ovs (Harmanpreet 30; Salma 3/18, Deepti 2/9).

Mumbai chase high-five, Delhi maiden title

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

ONE of the underlying themes of the IPL has been express fast bowlers. So, it's apt that Mumbai Indians face Delhi Capitals in the final at Dubai on Tuesday. The two sides' lead pacers (Trent Boult, Jasprit Bumrah, Kagiso Rabada and Anrich Nortje), between them, have accounted for 98 wickets at an average of 18.42.

Why have they been successful this season? While Boult and Bumrah haven't been afraid to bowl Test match length in the powerplay — the former's reward is 14 wickets in the first six overs — to extract the small movement off the pitch on offer, Rabada and Nortje have relied on pace and variations at the death. Even if it's a simple strategy, these four are so skilled that it's inevitable they will be among the wickets column under the lights.

The top-order that successfully negotiates this threat will be in the ascendancy. Which team is better equipped to do that? Here's two factors to consider.

The first is the sheer mountain of runs scored by Rohit Sharma's men. Even if he himself will not be winning any batting awards — six of his 11 innings have been single-digit scores — Quinton de Kock, Suryakumar Yadav and Ishan Kishan have been the three unstoppable forces in the Mumbai line-up. All of them have got over 450 runs, with strike rates above 140 and are adept at piercing the field at will. They are so difficult to bowl against because of the proportion of runs they get in boundaries. Sample this: Kishan is the leading six-hitter (29), Suryakumar is number two for fours (60) and De Kock is one of only two batsmen (KL Rahul is the other) to hit at least 40 4s and 20 6s. That's even before you remember they have Hardik Pandya and Kieron Pollard, two of the best finishers in the lower-middle order.

The second factor is Marcus Stoinis and Shikhar Dhawan. The southpaw's recent scores indicate that he is a bellwether. In the last six matches, every time he has been dismissed for a single digit score, they have lost (four). Whenever he hits a 50, they have won (two). If he survives those early questions, Delhi will start believing.

Japan-bound Sathiyan seeking rich exposure

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

AFTER his winning return to action in the Polish Superliga, G Sathiyan is excited to travel to Japan to take part in the T-League where he will represent Okayama Rivets. Scheduled to play eight matches, he is also looking forward to training with the cream of the crop in Tokyo.

The 27-year-old is planning to leave on November 23 and will have to undergo a 14-day quarantine there before playing his first match on December 10. Apart from the matches, he will rub shoulders with the likes of Koki Niwa (World No 13), Morizono Masataka (World No 48) and Lee Sangsu (22), who are part of the same team as the Indian paddler apart from a couple more in the top 200.

"The matches start from December 10 and will continue till December 24. I will be there till December 30...so I will be getting a lot of quality practice time. And matches against top-10 players will be highly beneficial especially with no tournaments on the horizon. And training with such a quality bunch in top class facilities is something that will be of immense help for my career," he said.

Due to visa complications, flight restrictions and quarantine time, the Chennai athlete will miss out on the first four matches of the league. And it will be a complicated process of getting ready for the first match due to the stop-start nature of training.

"After Poland, I'm currently undergoing mandatory home quarantine. Once I reach Japan, I will have to remain in isolation for another 14 days. The club officials over there are trying to come up with a way in which I can train alone after a couple of days. These gaps are not ideal but amidst the pandemic, I'm lucky to be able to get the chance to play, so no complaints from my end!"

But the growing rate of infections has affected the scheduling of all leagues. In Sathiyan's case, there is no clarity as to when the second half of the T-League will happen while the Polish league has not come out with the play-offs calendar. "2021 will be an unknown entity! Usually these leagues publish their schedules up to two years in advance, but it cannot be helped this time around."

EXPRESS READ

BACK AFTER 238 DAYS

Action from the Women's World Cup in Weihai, China, on Monday. International table tennis returned on Sunday after an enforced eight-month break due to pandemic | AFP

Barca's Ansu Fati to be out of action for 4 months

BARCELONA: Barcelona forward Ansu Fati will be sidelined for about four months after undergoing knee surgery on Monday, the club said. The 18-year-old Fati tore the internal meniscus in his left knee in Barcelona's 5-2 win over Real Betis in the Spanish league on Saturday. He was replaced at half-time after not recovering from a challenge by Aissa Mandi inside the area. The club said Fati's surgery was successful. He had been a regular starter for Barcelona this season, scoring five goals.

Madras HC appoints Justice Kannan for polls

CHENNAI: The Madras High Court has appointed Justice J Kannan Returning Officer for elections of the All India Chess Federation (AICF). Date, venue and electoral college will be finalised by him. Representatives of the two factions will assist the returning officer. According to a sports ministry directive, election has to be held before December 31. ENS

Olympiacos players face fine for partying

ATHENS: Greek soccer club Olympiacos will fine three of its players for attending a hotel party in defiance of a nationwide lockdown, the team said on Monday. The club said Ruben Semedo, Lazar Randelovic and Bruno Felipe would be 'fined the maximum amount' allowed under Olympiacos' regulations and that the money would be donated to the state-run health service.

Break for wrestlers except Bajrang

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

MEN and women wrestlers attending nationals camps will get a five-day Diwali break till November 17. The Sports Authority of India (SAI) in consultation with Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) arrived at the decision recently. The wrestlers have to report at their respective centres by November 18 and will serve a seven-day mandatory quarantine period before starting individual training.

A few women wrestlers have already left SAI centre in Lucknow for their homes while others are expected to depart soon. Men wrestlers too will follow suit except for Bajrang Punia, who will leave on November 20. "The SAI and federation have sanctioned five-day Diwali break for the wrestlers," Vinod Tomar, WFI assistant secretary, told this daily. Sanjay Saraswat, regional director of Lucknow's SAI centre, informed around eight women left and remaining will head for their homes soon. "They are departing in batches. When they come back, they have to follow protocols issued by the SAI," added Saraswat.

As per the protocols, the wrestlers will be required to produce Covid negative certificate before entering the venue. They then will undergo a seven-day mandatory quarantine period and take virus test. They can resume group training only after 14 days.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

BACK IN THE GROOVE, GUNNING FOR MORE

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

World No 1 Elavenil Valarivan

OLYMPIC core group of shooters have been back in business since mid-October. Camping in a bio-secure environment amid ongoing pandemic, they have had to make plenty of adjustments, with several safety protocols in place. Coaches, overseeing the camp, are impressed with the manner in which the shooters have adapted to the new normal.

"For the first two, three days, I could see that lethargy and lack of focus because they hadn't shot this seriously for a very long time. But they picked up the tempo soon and now, they're totally into shooting," rifle high performance coach Deepali Deshpande observed.

After a four-week camp that is being held at the Dr Karni Singh Shooting Range in New Delhi, the shooters will be cooling off for a week. They'll be heading home for Diwali on Tuesday.

Before they resumed training, being organised by Sports Authority of India and National Rifle Association of India, the shooters had focussed on their fitness and had been training on their own. Deepali was encouraged by the level of work (both fitness and training) her wards had put in during period of lull.

"Today (Monday) we had 3 positions match, all the shooters shot 1170-plus scores, which is good for a start. In training, they have been shooting far better than that. This camp was not about competitive training, it was about getting the technical aspects of shooting right, working on changes the shooters have made etc," she said.

It's not just Deepali who's impressed with the level of shooters. Pistol high performance coach Samaresh Jung is also satisfied with the numbers his wards have been registering. "Shooters had decent training and they shot some good scores. We have time to go for competitions, so it was a start," he said.

"The vital thing was to get them into training cycle. On that front, it was good. Some of them are shooting well right now, some of them have improved their shooting. It will take some time to reach good level of shooting."

Pavel likely to miss camp

The second camp is scheduled to start on November 18. Like the first camp, the shooters will remain quarantine for a week after returning to Delhi. World No 1 Elavenil Valarivan, who missed the first camp due to her university exams, is set to be part of the upcoming camp. However, foreign coach Pavel Smirnov is unlikely to be part of the camp as he's still in Moscow.

N Gaayathri (rifle) and Om Prakash Mitharwal (pistol), other shooters who were not part of the first camp, are likely to skip again.

IN THE COURT OF THE I ADDL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C. MISC. No. 354/2020
BETWEEN: Smt. Muniyamma W/o Narasimhaiah, aged about 56 years,R/o No. 181, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Ayyappanagar, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560036. ... PETITIONER
AND: The Tahsildhar, Registrar Of Births & Deaths, Bengaluru East Taluk ... RESPONDENT
PUBLIC NOTICE
WHEREAS, the above petitioner had filed the petition for issue of Death Certificate of her Aunty named as MOTAMMA W/o Late Munikadirappa, as she died on 08-09-1997 at No. 181, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Ayyappanagar, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 066.
If any person interested in this matter, may appear before the Hon'ble court either personally or through pleader duly instructed with objection if any on 27-11-2020 at 11. a.m failing which, the above case will be heard and decided Ex-parte.
Given under my hand and the seal of this court on 09-11-2020 at Bengaluru.
By Order of the Court, Sheristedar, Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore.
Advocate for Petitioner:
MANJUNATHA .B
Vakya Law Chambers No. 17 & 18 II Floor, 1st Cross, KHB Colony, Gandhinagar, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.

Zilla Panchayath Office, Ballari
NO/ZPB/PD/NRLM/TENDER/2020-21 DATE:09.11.2020
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
The procurement of Enagaging Man Power Agency Under NRLM Scheme to Zp Ballari District, the Notice Inviting Tender has been published in the e-procurement portal details as mentioned below.
e-Procurement Indent Number: RDPR NO/ZPB/PD/NRLM/HR/23/2020-21 Procurement particulars: Enagaging Man power agency Under NRLM to Zp Ballari District. Last date: 23.11.2020 Evening 5 pm. Amount put to tender: Rs. 158.50 Lakhs.. e-procurement website address: https://eproc.Karnataka.gov.in
Sd/- Project Director, Zilla Panchayath, Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/140/MCA/2020-21

PUBLIC NOTICE
The general public is hereby informed that my client intends to purchase the immoveable property described In the SCHEDULE hereunder from its owners, (1) Smt. PUSHPA NANDAKUMAR, wife of late S. Nandakumar & daughter-in-law of late Subbaiah, (2) Sri. NIRUP N., son of late . S. Nandakumar, and (3) Sri. NIKILESH N., son of late S. Nandakumar, all residing at No.540, 5th Cross, 8th Main, H.M.T. Layout, Ganganagar, Bengaluru-560 032, all represented by their Power of Attorney Holder, Sri. N. SUBRAMANI, son of Sri. V. Nagarajappa, residing at No.5, Venkateshapura, Jakkur Post, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560 064, for a lawful and valid consideration.
Any person / Bank / Society / Firm / Company / Institutions / Trust / Government Authorities /Organizations / Board or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within 7 (SEVEN) days from the date of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule property.
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Researchers have revealed that e-cigarette use is associated with a higher risk of cigarette smoking among adolescents who had no prior intention of taking up conventional smoking. The study, published in the journal *Pediatrics*, found that e-cigarettes can predispose adolescents to cigarette smoking, even when they have no prior intentions to do so.

Hyperloop transports passengers for the first time

HI-TECH

LOS ANGELES: The Virgin Hyperloop made its first journey carrying passengers Sunday, in a test the company claimed represented a major step forward for the "groundbreaking" technology capable of transporting people at 1,000 kilometres an hour.

The Hyperloop is intended to carry passengers in small pods through a vacuum tube, with proponents arguing it could revolutionise high-speed travel. Virgin says the Hyperloop will be able to reach top speeds of 1,080 kilometres an hour — projecting a 45-minute journey from Los Angeles to San Francisco — and will produce no carbon emissions.

But until Sunday the technology, first proposed by eccentric US tech magnate Elon Musk in 2012, had not been tested with people on board.

Two Virgin employees made the 500-metre journey in a two-person vehicle in just 15 seconds at a test site in the Nevada desert. Passenger Sara Luchian told the *BBC* she felt the trip was "exhilarating both psychologically and physically", and reported no discomfort.

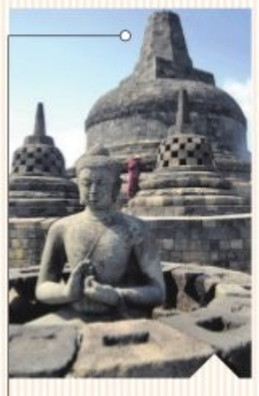
Virgin's Hyperloop has raised more than $400 million, largely from company CEO Richard Branson and the logistics company DP World, which is owned by the Dubai government. But while Branson on Sunday hailed the success of the "groundbreaking" Hyperloop, concerns have dogged developers about just how safe the technology would be.

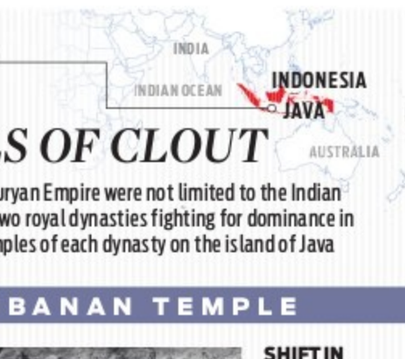
One researcher at Sweden's Royal Institute of Technology, argued that the high speeds involved could turn the Hyperloop into a "barf ride."

EXFILE • ARCHITECTURE

WHEN TEMPLES WERE SYMBOLS OF CLOUT

Hindu-Buddhist rivalries that played out in the royal courts of various rulers since the end of the Mauryan Empire were not limited to the Indian subcontinent. This hostility was taken to Indonesia's main island Java. The Kingdom of Medang saw two royal dynasties fighting for dominance in central Java: the Hindu Sanjaya Dynasty and Buddhist Sailendra Dynasty. We take a look at two temples of each dynasty on the island of Java





BOROBUDUR TEMPLE

Borobudur is the world's largest **Buddhist temple,** consisting nine stacked platforms, six squares and three circulars, topped by a central dome

72
openwork stupas, each containing a statue of the Buddha

3
MONUMENTS
The complex consists of three monuments: Borobudur Temple, Mendut Temple and Pawon Temple. These three monuments represent phases in the attainment of Nirvana

AREA
2,500 m²

WHO BUILT IT?
The origins of the temple are shrouded in mystery due to lack of known records of construction of Borobudur

800 CE
Estimated year researchers assume the temple was constructed

Researchers estimated the year by comparing carved reliefs of the temple and royal inscriptions commonly used during the 8th and 9th centuries. It was also around this time, that the Sailendras' rule over central Java reached its peak

NO RIVALRY BETWEEN HINDUS AND BUDDHISTS
Experts suggest that Borobudur was constructed during the same time as that of the Prambanan Temple

It is believed that the Hindu Sanjaya kings may have also allowed the constructions of Buddhist shrines

Panangkaran (760-775 CE) granted the village of Kalasan to the Buddhist adherents, a Kalasan inscription reveals

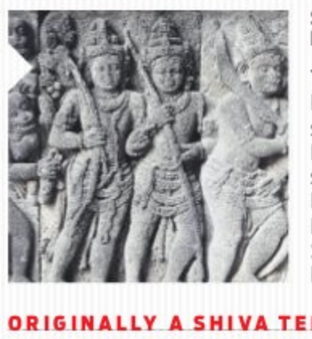
Hence, archaeologists point out that there was no such rivalry between the two religions

HOSTILITIES BETWEEN ROYAL DYNASTIES
However, rivalries between Buddhist Sailendra and the Shaivite Sanjaya did exist. The latter defeated the Sailendras in 856 CE and that Prambanan complex was built as a counter to the Buddhist temple

REDISCOVERY
Borobudur's abandonment still remains a mystery, with experts blaming the shifting of the capital between 928 and 1006 CE. It was rediscovered in the early 1800s and completely unearthed in 1835, with large-scale looting continuing till the end of the 19th Century

PRAMBANAN TEMPLE

DEDICATED TO THE TRIDEVAS
It is the largest **Hindu temple** in Indonesia and dedicated to the Hindu gods: Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva



SHIFT IN RELIGION
This massive Hindu temple signifies that the Medang court's shift from Mahayana Buddhism to Shaivite Hinduism

WHO BUILT IT?
The temple is believed to have been built by Rakai Pikatan to counter the Buddhist temple of Borobudur

Built by the Sanjaya Dynasty, experts opine the temple marks the return of Hinduism in Central Java after a century of Buddhist rule under the Sailendras

ORIGINALLY A SHIVA TEMPLE

850 CE
Construction under the patronage of Rakai Pikatan commences

An inscription dating to 856 CE, tells that the temple was dedicated to Shiva and was named Shivagraha (House of Shiva). Archaeologists propound that the statue of Shiva of the main temple was sculpted in the image of King Balitung

16th Century
A major earthquake led to the collapse of most structures and it was finally abandoned

240
Structures exist within the complex

LOST IN THE FOREST
Experts say that in early 10th Century, the court was shifted to East Java. An eruption of Mt Merapi volcano or a power struggle may have led to change in capital

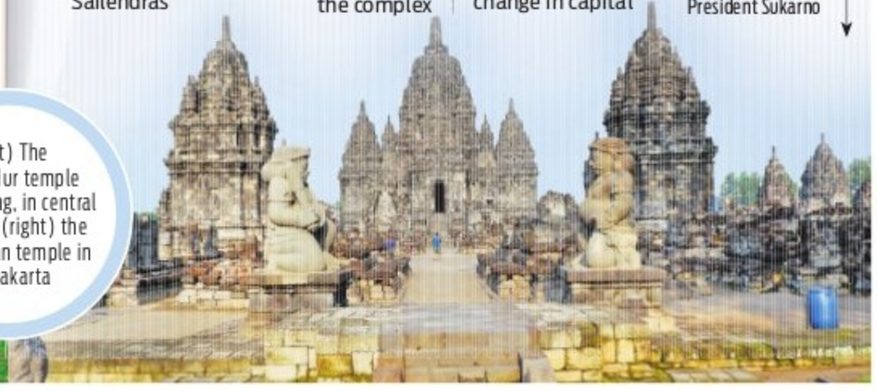
REDISCOVERY & RECONSTRUCTION
While locals knew about the existence of the temple, they did not have any information about its historical background

1811
Colin Mackenzie, a British surveyor, rediscovered the temple ruins when Java was under the rule of the English

During the Dutch occupation, large scale looting of the sculptures took place with some stones taken to far away places

1918
The Dutch began reconstruction and restoration of the complex, which continues even today

1953
Reconstruction of the main Shiva temple was completed and inaugurated by Indonesian President Sukarno



(Left) The Borobudur temple in Magelang, in central Java and (right) the Prambanan temple in Yogyakarta

Near-Earth asteroid may hit Earth in 2068

SPACE

NEW YORK: Astronomers have revealed that large asteroid named 'Apophis' expected to pass extremely close or may hit the Earth in the year 2068 due to a phenomenon called Yarkovsky effect.

Researchers at University of Hawaii Institute for Astronomy (IfA) in the US, have announced the detection of Yarkovsky acceleration on the near-Earth asteroid Apophis.

This acceleration arises from an extremely weak force on an object due to non-uniform thermal radiation.

This force is particularly important for the asteroid Apophis, as it affects the probability of an Earth impact in 2068.

"All asteroids need to reradiate as heat the energy they absorb from sunlight in order to maintain thermal equilibrium, a process that slightly changes the orbit of the asteroid," the astronomers wrote.

Prior to the detection of Yarkovsky acceleration on Apophis, astronomers had concluded that a potential impact with Earth in 2068 was impossible. The detection of this effect acting on Apophis means that the 2068 impact scenario is still a possibility.

Apophis is noteworthy because of its extremely close approach to the Earth on April 13, 2029, when the 300 metre-sized asteroid will become visible to the unaided eye as it passes within the belt of communications satellites orbiting the Earth.

Earlier in August, SpaceX CEO Elon Musk had also predicted that huge asteroid Apophis will eventually hit the humanity and there will be no way out.

WORLD PINS HOPE ON PFIZER'S VACCINE

mRNA-based candidate, BNT162b2, demonstrated proof of efficacy in volunteers without prior evidence of the infection

MEDICINE

WASHINGTON: Pfizer said Monday that early results from its coronavirus vaccine suggest the shots may be a surprisingly robust 90 per cent effective at preventing Covid-19, putting the company on track to apply later this month for emergency-use approval from the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

Pfizer and BioNTech's vaccine BNT162b2 began the final stage — Phase 3 — of its clinical trial in late July and had enrolled 43,538 participants to date, 90 per cent of whom had received a second dose as of November 8.

The announcement, less than a week after an election seen as a referendum on US President Donald Trump's handling of the crisis, was a rare and major piece of encouraging news lately in the battle against the scourge that has killed more than 1.2 million people worldwide.

"We're in a position potentially to be able to offer some hope," Dr. Bill Gruber, Pfizer's senior vice president of clinical development, told *The Associated Press*.

Pfizer Inc. cautioned that the protection rate might change by the time the study ends.

Scientists have warned for months that any Covid-19 shot may be only as good as flu vaccines, which are about 50 per cent effective and require yearly immunisations.

While the Pfizer-BioNTech trial has yet to be peer-reviewed by experts, scientists reacted positively — if cautiously — to the results.

Peter Horby, professor of emerging infectious diseases and global health in the Nuffield Department of Medicine, University of Oxford, said Pfizer's announcement "feels to me like a watershed moment" in the pandemic.

But others pointed out that there would likely be significant logistical problems in getting the vaccine to everyone, especially given it must be kept super-cooled and currently requires two doses to bestow immunity.

Eleanor Riley, professor of immunology and infectious disease at the University of Edinburgh, said for example that Monday's results did not disclose the ages of participants.

"If a vaccine is to reduce severe disease and death, and thus enable the population at large to return to their normal day-to-day lives, it will need to be effective in older and elderly members of our society," she said.

The "messenger RNA", or mRNA, vaccine is a new approach to protecting against viral infection.

Unlike traditional vaccines, which work by training the body to recognise and kill proteins produced by pathogens, mRNA tricks the patient's immune system to produce viral proteins itself.

The proteins are harmless, but sufficient to provoke a robust immune response.

Busting wildlife crimes

ENVIRONMENT

PARIS: A month-long operation against wildlife crime has yielded 699 arrests and the seizure of elephant tusks, a lion cub and live chimpanzees among more than 2,000 trafficked creatures and plants, police agency Interpol said on Monday.

"Further arrests and prosecutions are anticipated as ongoing global investigations progress," as a result of Operation Thunder 2020, which ended on October 11, it said in a statement.

In Cameroon, customs officers seized 187 raw elephant tusks from a truck crossing the border from Gabon, while in Mexico, law enforcement rescued an adult female white tiger, a jaguar and a four-month-old lion cub in Sinaloa, said Interpol.

Overall, Operation Thunder yielded over 1.3 tonnes of ivory and more than a tonne of pangolin scales, representing some 1,700 slaughtered pangolins. Officials also seized 1,400 live turtles and tortoises and 6,000 turtle or tortoise eggs.

GOLDEN HARVEST

A woman harvests paddy on the outskirts of Guwahati, Assam, on Monday. The state is one of the major producers of paddy and is famous for Joha rice that has a distinct aroma compared to the more famous Basmati varieties | AP

FACT OF THE MATTER

Astronauts ready for ISS

SPACE

Four astronauts arrived at Kennedy Space Center on Sunday for SpaceX's second crew launch, coming up next weekend. For NASA, it marks the long-awaited start of regular crew rotations at the International Space Station, with private companies providing the lifts. There will be double the number of astronauts as the test flight earlier this year, and their mission will last a full six months. The crew of three Americans and one Japanese are scheduled to rocket away Saturday night, provided approaching Tropical Storm Eta doesn't interfere. The four astronauts will remain in orbit until spring, when their replacements arrive aboard another SpaceX Dragon capsule.

Traffic sounds over nature's

RESEARCH

They may be naturally suited to swinging in rainforests, but monkeys in a Finnish zoo have demonstrated a "significant" preference for traffic sounds instead of the noises of the jungle, researchers have found. "We thought they would enjoy more calming sounds, such as zen music, but actually they triggered the traffic sounds more," Ilyena Hirskyj-Douglas, a researcher from Aalto University, told *AFP*. The zoo's research coordinator, Kirsi Pynnonen, said she believes the road sounds in fact mimic some of the monkeys' natural means of communication. White-faced saki monkeys are native to South America, where they are threatened by the destruction of the rainforest.

FAMILY FEUD

Overcrowded gorilla territory increases violent clashes and slows population growth

WILDLIFE

WASHINGTON: Gorillas are highly sociable animals — up to a point. A crowded mountain can make silverbacks more violent, scientists say.

Mountain gorillas spend most of their time sleeping, chomping leaves and wild celery stalks, and grooming each other's fur with long, dexterous fingers. These large vegetarian apes are generally peaceful – unless you're a rival gorilla.

Researchers who analysed 50 years of demographic and behavioural data from Rwanda found that as the number of gorilla family groups living in a habitat increased, so did the number of violent clashes among them. Most often, dominant males called silverbacks led the fights.

Some gorillas, especially infants, perished, which slowed population growth.

"Encounters between groups can be violent. Males will fight to protect the females and infants in their group, and to acquire new females," said Damien Caillaud, a behavioral ecologist at the University of California, Davis, and co-author of the new study published last week in the journal *Science Advances*.

The frequency of gorilla family feuds was determined not by the total number of individuals, but by the number of family groups in a region, the study concluded. Mountain gorillas have been a focus of intense research and conservation efforts in central Africa since the late 1960s. After teetering near the edge of extinction in the 1970s, the population has rebounded to just over 1,000 animals — considered to be "endangered" by scientists.

"Normally when thinking about conservation, scientists focus on tangible, ecological issues like food availability, degradation of habitat, hunting by humans — rarely do we think about how an animal's behaviour and social structure can influence population size," said Rich Bergl, a primatologist at the North Carolina Zoo, who also works on great ape conservation in Africa and was not involved in the paper.

"But it turns out we should," Bergl added, "especially for social animals like gorillas."

"Everyone wants to know how many gorillas can live inside the protected habitat area. It turns out the answer depends partly on how they organise themselves socially," said Tara Stoinski, a primatologist and co-author of the new paper.

During fieldwork in Rwanda, Stoinski said she witnessed changes in gorilla behaviour beginning in about 2007. Around that time, three large family groups splintered into multiple smaller units, and the overall population also grew.

As a result, there were then about 10 family groups in the study area. The groups spread out to occupy more territory within Volcanoes National Park, but the number of violent clashes among them increased threefold. The number of infant deaths increased fivefold, and the population growth rate was halved.

The dissolution of the larger family groups – one had included 65 individuals – was probably related to the deaths of charismatic silverback leaders, said Stoinski.

The study was based on demographic and behavioral data for about 400 gorillas in Rwanda between 1968 and 2017.

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DAY'S DIARY

Fall of the Berlin Wall

On this day in 1989, five days after half a million people gathered in East Berlin in a mass protest, the Berlin Wall dividing communist East Germany from West Germany crumbled

MASS EXODUS

The East German Communist Party announced that citizens of German Democratic Republic (the eastern half under the Soviet Union) could cross the border with just an exit visa. Within two days, thousands cross over into West Berlin

SEVERE MEASURES

Till that point, East Berliners' access to West was limited to curb the brain drain & its effect on the economy. The Wall's security was tightened and at least 171 people were killed trying to cross it

WAY TO REUNIFICATION

It would take another year for East and West Germany to be officially reunified under the Federal Republic of Germany on October 3, 1990

Pruthvi Ambaar to join Vijay Milton's next

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BRINGING ALIVE B'LURU IN BERLIN

Taking tales of the city to foreign shores is photographer Shivaraju B S, aka Cop Shiva, whose works will be on display in Germany

A fruit vendor in Lalbagh

"As a police constable and migrant who worked on the streets, I connect with working-class migrants in the city. I want to capture their real-life moments

—**Shivaraju B S,** photographer and former cop

● **Vidya Iyengar**

Capturing the sights and sounds of the city has always been Shivaraju B S, aka Cop Shiva's, forte. Even as he decided to relocate to his village, Ramanagara, in 2018, Shiva recalls Bengaluru as the place where he once donned the khaki uniform of a policeman. Shiva's works will now be on display at a photography exhibition, Indian Storytellers – Passion and Persistence – being held at Under the Mango Tree art gallery and design studio in Berlin, Germany. The show, curated by Mini Kapur, will be on display till Jan. 17, 2021.

Shiva is the only artist from South India to participate and is showcasing 10 works from two series, 'The Street Has Studio' and 'Urban Ecstasy'. The other photographers include Manoj Jain, Ranbir Kaleka, Dinesh Khanna and Amit Pasricha. "As a police constable and migrant who worked on the streets, I connect with working-class migrants in the city. They don't have much of an education, but have dreams of finding a better life. They struggle for survival, doing different jobs... as street vendors, folk dancers, sex workers, singers, dancers, domestic help. I want to capture these real-life moments," he says.

As someone who moved from a quiet town to a bustling city, Shiva saw the city through a fresh lens. "While I walked through streets in Bengaluru,

(Above and below) Images from the Mayana Kollai festival

I came across so many new aspects. For one, the number of festivals that are celebrated in different towns, besides the oft-told tale of the Bangalore Karaga. There's an onion festival or even the Shivaratri celebrations at a crematorium in Cooke Town. I went there three years in a row, between 2013 and 2015 to soak in the night-long celebrations. There is so much history to a place. I like colour, which lends to the storytelling," he says, adding that he has documented at least 36 festivals, each unique in their own way to the city. This continues to be an on-going project.

Looking at the street as a studio, Shiva takes real-life character photos capturing them in their natural element and style – with animals, against heritage monuments, or even spectacular landscapes. Passionate about the Indian studio photography tradition, which is fading in India, Shiva hopes he's given the concept a twist. "Each person has a different story, and it's fascinating to hear each of these stories. I listen to their stories and try to take pictures that catch them in their natural pose and poise," he says.

Shiva has been lucky to have not been drastically affected by the pandemic, owing to his pension and farming activities. But he does rue that fellowships and exhibitions, which were an integral part of his daily life, have now come to a standstill. "From friends in the fraternity, I understand that it is quite a hard time to survive as a photographer," he says.

Emcee Madhu Mailankody talks to *CE* about her acting debut in Tamil movie starring Nayanthara

Big break, bigger dreams

● **Monika Monalisa**

Madhu Mailankody has something special to look forward to this festive season. With her acting debut in the Nayanthara-starrer Tamil devotional comedy *Mookuthi Amman*, Madhu – known for emceeing sports events, including the Indian Premier League – says she got more than she bargained for.

Madhu had never given acting a thought, but she took the leap of faith when director-actor Rj Balaji asked her to take up the role. "We go back a long time since we meet while hosting events. When he offered me the role, though I was nervous, I took it up," says Madhu, who is currently emceeing IPL matches from Mumbai. Originally hailing from Kasargod, she shuffles between Bengaluru, Mangaluru and Mumbai. "I am so used to living out of a suitcase," she adds.

While emceeing is spontaneous, acting needs a script. "That was tough. Especially having to remember lines in Tamil, which I am not fluent in. But Balaji allowed me to improvise as long as the punch line and delivery came out fine," adds Madhu, who speaks English, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Tulu, and an old dialect of Kannada.

It's impossible to miss her excitement when she recalls working with Nayanthara. "She is called a superstar for a reason. She is always on time and I have never seen her throwing any tantrum," she says.

Recalling a scene with Nayanthara, Madhu says the first take went well but she had to redo her dialogues for the second camera's angle. "Nayanthara was so sweet, she was not required in that take but she offered to stay back if I needed her as a reference," she says, sharing that the scene has turned into a viral meme. The movie will be out on Nov. 14 on Disney Hotstar. It is going to be dubbed in Telugu as *Ammoru Thalli*.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

MOCK MEAT

Veggie Champ, a plant-based gourmet meat brand owned by Ahimsa Foods, has launched a variety of lactovegetarian and vegan products. They present alternatives to fish, mutton, chicken and have vegan hot dogs, salami, and kebab for both vegetarians and non-vegetarians. There are curry products like vegan classic chicken, mock mutton, and mock duck, along with mock fish fillet, pepper salami and vegan burger made with combinations of soy, milk, wheat protein, mustard and spices. **Available at:** veggiechamp.in

FESTIVE LOOK

The Soch festive collection is all about traditional ethnic wear in contemporary colours and silhouettes. You can shop for kurtis, salwar suits, tunics, saris and dress materials. The collection is **available** at all Soch outlets and online on sochstore.com

DIWALI HAMPERS

This year's Diwali hampers are specially curated with the favourite organic picks to help boost immunity, healing, and cleansing. Zama Organics' hampers are available in three different sizes — small, medium and large. **For details, visit:** www.zamaorganics.com

DIY COFFEE

Brew your coffee from the comfort of your home with this kit that contains a packet of grounds, a French press and flavour sachets. **Priced at** `6,000. Available at: Slay.com and Amazon

THIS FESTIVE SEASON, INDULGE IN SAMOSAS WITH A RANGE OF FILLINGS. PRICE: RS 165 ONWARDS; WHERE: SAMOSAPARTY.IN

Diwali treats

Why should humans have all the fun? This Diwali treat your furry friend with a festival hamper consisting of Chicken Paw-Cakes with activated charcoal to aid in your pet's digestion, a salt free chicken broth with herbs and chicken, a packet of protein packed Munchies which aid in dental hygiene as well and more. **Price:** ₹750 onwards **Where:** harleyscorner.in

Deck up your home

The Yellow Dwelling has curated a collection to celebrate the festive season with some timeless classics. From vintage candle stands, to heritage wooden mirrors to colourful curtains and cushion covers, it offers everything to lift up the droopy spirits with some shine and shimmer. Priced from ₹390 onwards. **Available at:** theyellowdwelling.com

Skincare kits

Bare Anatomy marks its entry into the skincare market with a personalised skincare range. Expanding to premium skincare with fresh & clean beauty formulations customised to your unique skin type, goals and concerns, their 3-step regime consists of multi-tasking products to offer complete care. The new range is available in kits consisting of a Deep Pore Cleansing Facewash, Intense Hydrating Moisturizer & Overnight Restorative Night Cream, to suit varied Indian skin types, ranging from oily, normal to dry. Price: ₹2,250. **Available at:** bareanatomy.in

Happiness Hampers

Café Coffee Day has launched 'The Happiness Hampers,' a special series of gifts for friends and family. The hampers are: Tin of Mysore Royal Coffee + Coffee Times Cup @ ₹650; Tin of Mysore Royal Coffee + Stove Top Espresso Maker @ ₹950; and Tin of Mysore Royal Coffee + French Press @ ₹2,500. **Available till** stocks last at all Cafe Coffee Day outlets

Food on wheels

Try your hands on dishes like Roasted Chicken, Pan Seared River Sole, Dal Makhani, India-Asian combo boxes, Pasta, Pizzas, and more with doorstep delivery by Renaissance Bengaluru Race Course Hotel. **Where:** Place orders on Swiggy or Zomato **When:** Ongoing

Have a break

This festive season, KitKat brings a 'Glow-in-the-Dark' pack to help youngsters #Celebreak. These first-of-its-kind packs reinforce the message that if you 'look for it', you will find happy reasons to not only make you smile but also bring a smile to someone else. Priced at ₹25. **Available** in all stores

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

ROASTED TOMATO DIP

INGREDIENTS

- **Tomatoes:** 2
- **Onion:** half (chopped or julienned)
- **Green chillies:** 2 (crushed)
- **Coriander leaves:** half a tea spoon (finely chopped)
- **Oil:** 4-5 tbsp
- **Salt:** To taste

METHOD

- Grease tomatoes. Make small cuts on it.
- Heat oil in a wok and put in the tomatoes. Keep the lid on and let it roast.
- Once in a while, stir it to make sure the tomatoes are roasted evenly.
- Let it cool. Then, crush it to a smooth pulp.
- Add chopped onion, crushed green chilies, coriander leaves, salt and mix well.
- Serve it with nachos or chips.

— Pushpanjali Pradhan, Bengaluru

FIT BIT

VISVAMITRASANA
(SAGE VISVAMITRA'S POSE)

According to Hindu mythology, Visvamitra was once a king named Kaushika, who after witnessing the power of the sage, Vashishta, renounced his throne and practised penance through yoga and tapas. Eventually, Lord Brahma rewarded his devotion by changing his name and bestowing upon him the title, Brahmarishi. This pose is named after the sage. It is an advanced arm balance posture that provides an intense side stretch. It is also called flying warrior pose. It activates the Muladhara (root) chakra, which is associated with vitality, stability, survival and staying rooted.

STEPS

- Start with the Adho Mukha Svanasana, holding for a few deep breaths.
- Inhale and move your right foot forward and place it just outside your right hand with your knee beside the armpit.
- Now, keep your left foot flat, toes pointing outward. Lift your right hand to bring it front of your foot. Bring your right shoulder underneath your knee.
- Keep your left foot firm. Turn the foot out if necessary, pressing it into the mat.
- Lift your left thigh towards the ceiling, dropping your body slightly to the left.
- Keep right arm steady to support the right leg. Place your left foot and right hand flat.
- Lift your left hand and wrap your hand around the right foot. Inhale as you extend the right leg away from your body.
- Continue to keep a firm hold on the foot, lifting your arm over the head. Both legs should be straight with an angled line connecting the left foot to the right.
- Hold this pose for a few breaths, opening your chest toward the ceiling. Gaze up.
- Release your left hand from your foot and bend your right knee, lowering the leg. Relax in child's pose for a few breaths.
- Repeat with the other leg.

BENEFITS

- Stretches and tones the muscles of the arms, legs, and the sciatic nerves.
- Strengthens the internal organs of the body and core muscles.
- Improves concentration, sense of balance and body awareness.
- Opens up the chest, hips and waist.
- Stretches hamstrings and inner thighs.

LIMITATIONS

- People suffering from lower back pain, sacroiliac & hamstring injury, shoulder or wrist injury should avoid this.
- If you have tight hamstrings, don't attempt this.
- Beginners should practise under the guidance of a yoga expert.

— by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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RAMA RAMA RE...

An escaped death row convict ends up taking a road trip with an old man on a personal mission and a young couple trying to elope.
- Cast: K Jayaram, Nataraj, Dharmanna Kadur

DHOL

Guru falls in love with Priya, who is the sister of a wealthy industrialist, Nanda. When Nanda learns about Guru, he is furious and tries to separate him from his sister.
- Cast: Yogesh, Aindrita Ray, Prakash Raj

SHRAVANI SUBRAMANYA

When Shravani finds out that her boyfriend, Sudeep, is a thug, she attempts to escape from his clutches. Subramanya, a budding singer, tries to save her from Sudeep.
- Cast: Ganesh, Amulya

MINSARA KANAVU

Priya, a friendly girl who often falls into trouble, has an admirer, Thomas, though she wants to be a nun. So Thomas takes Deva's help to convince her for himself, but she falls for Deva instead.
- Cast: Arvind Swamy, Kajol, Prabhu Deva

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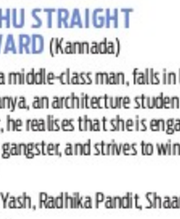
WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 HOW TO VISUALIZE ONE PART PER MILLION
BY KIM PRESHOFF + THE TED-ED COMMUNITY

"Parts per million" is a scientific unit of measurement that counts the number of units of one substance per one million units of another. But because it's hard to conceptualize really large numbers, it can be difficult to wrap our brains around what "one part per million" really means. Kim Preshoff (with help from 100+ animators from the TED-Ed Community) shares nine helpful ways to visualize it.



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Speaking as both an astronomer and "a concerned member of the human race," Sir Martin Rees examines our planet and its future from a cosmic perspective. He urges action to prevent dark consequences from our scientific and technological development.

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LOVE MOCKTAIL (Kannada)

Love Mocktail is a romantic and fun film about the protagonist Aadi's quest for love. Life takes him through a rollercoaster ride and goes through varied experience at several stages throughout his search for true love. Does Aadi finally find his soulmate?
- Cast: Darling Krishna, Milana Nagaraj, Amrutha Iyengar

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PIKU (Hindi)

A road trip to Kolkata brings Piku, an architect, closer to her ageing but nagging father Bhaskor Banerjee despite their disparate ideologies and fights over trivial issues.
- Cast: Amitabh Bachchan, Deepika Padukone, Irrfan Khan

Watch on: Sony LIV

SOGGADE CHINNI NAYANA (Telugu)

Satya, a widow, employs the spirit of her late husband, Rangaraju, to save their son's marriage. While fixing things between his children, he uncovers the bitter truth behind his own death.
- Cast: Akkineni Nagarjuna, Ramya Krishnan, Lavanya Tripathi, Hamsa Nandini

Watch on: MX Player

BHOOTNATH (Hindi)

Aditya and Anjali move into a new house, the Nath Villa, along with their son, Banku. Soon Banku comes across an unfriendly ghost of the previous occupant and tries to befriend him.
- Cast: Amitabh Bachchan, Juhi Chawla, Aman Siddiqui, Shah Rukh Khan

Watch on: Sony LIV

PATTABHIRAMAN (Malayalam)

Pattabhiraman is a food inspector who is on a crusade against artificiality in food products. Things turn bad when he clashes with KRK, a businessman whose company produces chemically unhealthy foods.
- Cast: Jayaram, Sheelu Abraham, Madhuri Braganza, Miya

Watch on: MX Player

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SANTHU STRAIGHT FORWARD (Kannada)

Santhu, a middle-class man, falls in love with Ananya, an architecture student. However, he realises that she is engaged to Dev, a gangster, and strives to win her over.
- Cast: Yash, Radhika Pandit, Shaam, Anant Nag

Watch on: MX Player

NATPE THUNAI (Tamil)

Prabhakaran, a former hockey player, helps a local team save their ground by training them to win a match against the Pondicherry team. However, a corrupt politician has his eyes set on the ground.
- Cast: Hiphop Tamizha Adhi, Anagha, Kausalya, Harish Uthaman

Watch on: MX Player

ENGLISH

NEBRASKA

Woodrow Grant, an alcoholic, embarks on a road trip to Lincoln, Nebraska, with his estranged son, David, to claim a $1 million prize. During their trip, David uncovers his father's emotional side.
- Cast: Bruce Dern, Will Forte, June Squibb, Bob Odenkirk

Watch on: Zee 5

THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN

Rachel, a divorcee, idealises Scott and Megan, a young couple who live next to her ex-husband. However, when Megan suddenly goes missing, Rachel gets dragged into the ensuing investigation.
- Cast: Emily Blunt, Haley Bennett, Rebecca Ferguson, Luke Evans, Justin Theroux

Watch on: Sony LIV

ON THE BASIS OF SEX

Ruth Bader Ginsburg is a struggling attorney and new mother who faces adversity and numerous obstacles in her fight for equal rights. When Ruth takes on a groundbreaking tax case with her husband, attorney Martin Ginsburg, she knows it could change the direction of her career and the way the courts view gender discrimination.
- Cast: Felicity Jones, Armie Hammer, Justin Theroux, Cailee Spaney

Watch on: Sony LIV

STAND BY ME

In a small woodsy Oregon town, a group of friends—sensitive Gordie, tough guy Chris, flamboyant Teddy, and scaredy-cat Vern — are in search of a missing teenager's body. Wanting to be heroes in each other's and their hometown's eyes, they set out on an unforgettable two-day trek.
- Cast: Wil Wheaton, River Phoenix, Corey Feldman, Jerry O'Connell

Watch on: Mubi

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MX Player: Free
Mubi: ₹499 per month

ONE DEGREE OF SEPARATION

OPEN SPACE
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Almost three decades after the liberalisation of the Indian economy, you would think we have come a long way from the time kids used to show off the tiny Toblerone that their relatives had got for them from the United States. And flaunt the fact that they had relatives in the US. Turns out, we haven't really.

Okay, so we aren't excited anymore about owning a Gap T-shirt, or Clinique moisturiser. A large number of Indians have, over the past couple of decades, travelled abroad as part of groups taking package tours, shopped for foreign-branded toiletries (or pinched them from hotel rooms), and made everything, from risotto to ratatouille, their own. We have always loved making things, and people, our own. Kamala Harris is only the latest name on the list. So is Joe Biden.

A half-Indian woman has made history in America. And the whole of India has found a reason to rejoice

The US vice president-elect may only have some shreds of roots remaining in India, but the cheering here is enough to sprout warm memories and proud connections of third cousins, granduncles, twice-removed nephews, and neighbours who at one time lived in the same lane as the twice-removed nephews. We have all watched with glee as she made dosa in the kitchen of actor Mindy Kaling -- another 'Indian' connection we never fail to parade, so what if nobody has heard her being called by her first name that is actually Indian -- and drew parallels with the fact that they too recycle jars to store spices. Biden's link with the country is even more faint -- apparently there were five Bidens living in Mumbai, all distantly related to him, until a few years back.

Earlier this week, we were clapping as an old video of New Zealand's new minister Priyanca Radhakrishnan addressing the country's parliament in Malayalam went viral on social media. From chutney music of the Caribbean to the traces of immigrant identities in the lives of celebrities like VS Naipaul, Nicki Minaj and Leo Varadkar, we have sought to share a slice of fame from wherever and whoever we could.

It hasn't mattered that the list has included people like Bobby Jindal (again, hardly anyone would remember him as Piyush) who went on to denounce the label of 'hyphenated American', and even trended as the hashtag #JindalSoWhite in 2015. Or that Tulsi Gabbard, who became a much-mentioned name last year when she decided to run for US presidency, is not of Indian origin. Just having an Indian name or religion is enough to make us feel the oneness. Quite the way wearing Indian outfits is.

We eagerly zoom in on pictures of Nick Jonas dressed in a kurta, and Meghan Markle draped in a sari. It doesn't take the image of Will Smith doing puja at Haridwar to make us feel overwhelmed; the sight of any foreigner tourist wearing henna and bindi is enough to bring a gush of warmth in our hearts. We love it when Justin Trudeau visits the Golden Temple with his family, and love it more when he also rolls rotis in the langar.

And we don't have a short memory either when it comes to such things. Years after his demise, no mention of Pt. Ravi Shankar is complete without his association with the Beatles, and the music group's stay in Rishikesh, getting highlighted. Our kids are told about how, after watching the first detonation of a nuclear weapon in 1945, Robert Oppenheimer cited a line from the Bhagavad Gita.

But what the heck, all that is past. A half-Indian woman has made history in America. And the whole of India has found a reason to rejoice.

Illustration: AMIT BANDRE

TRENDING NOW: SUBTLE AND SLOW

Following the philosophy of less is more, designers are coming up with sustainable pieces in softer colour palette this festive season

Designs by Good Earth

Designs by House of Three

• Monika Monalisa

The festive and wedding season is in full swing and this time of year is undoubtedly every fashionista's favourite. Designers too are busy, gearing up to showcase their statement pieces that will set trends for the rest of the season. But owing to low-key celebrations, this time designers are playing with subtle prints, less zari work, with the prime focus being slow fashion.

Kalgi, the latest collection by Shounak Sen, who is the co-founder of House of Three, brings the rich fabric history of the two states – Uttar Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir. Sen says the collection is luxurious but not loud. "If you see our history, luxury was not in wearing over the top clothes. For example, Gayatri Devi was mostly dressed in her organza sarees and a pearl necklace and that was more than enough to make a statement. Moreover, what is luxury today? People consider time as luxury. When someone spends 2-3 months to create couture, nothing can be more precious than that," says Sen, adding that the collection is quite versatile and can be styled in various ways. "I am a huge advocate of slow fashion, and a lot of planning has gone behind making the current collection more versatile. When someone picks any of the pieces from the collection, they should be able to team them up individually too," explains Sen. The line brings Banarasi silk brocade and Chikankari work from UP, and Pashmina and Jamdani shawls from Kashmir. However, there are some pieces that have intricate embroidery on velvet, which is geared towards wedding wear.

Good Earth's recent collection, Rani ki Rani, has a similar motto. "Since this year will be about smaller celebrations with close friends and family, we've created four distinct looks, comprising light festive styles that are perfect for after-dark soireies and daytime celebrations," says Shalini Sethi from Good Earth. The collection features signature Ajrakh block prints, detailed hand-embroidered zari work on handwoven cotton and luxurious silk and chanderi fabrics in jewel tones and pastel palette. For the wedding season, the brand has also curated Shama and Bano, crafted in plush velvet, silk and chanderi, which are uplifted with zardozi embroidery, patchwork, metallic sequins and mirrorwork. They also have a lighter edit in terms of the colour palette and sequin work – titled Fiza. The collection is ideal for daytime weddings with a softer palette of sufa, salmon and pale olive green with a hint of dusty and rani pink on luxurious tissue, brocade and organza with sequins, hand embroidery and metallic threadwork.

Shloka Sudhakar believes velvets are making a comeback. "This year, besides less extravagant and destination weddings, people are also opting for more classic styles that will remain in trend longer. A lot of brides are choosing velvet patchwork lehengas and dresses," says Sudhakar, adding that most brides are preferring vintage looks in velvet.

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—**Shloka Sudhakar,** designer

By The Way

Birthday bash

Radhika Pandit and Yash gave a glimpse of how they made their darling son's birthday special. They shared a video of their yacht celebration. Radhika captioned the post, "U may not remember the flavour of your cake, u may not know why that day was so special.. but to us, as parents it was a celebration we will cherish for life.. a year gone by as parents of a lil bundle of happiness!! Happy birthday".

TOY TIME

• Pearl Maria DSouza

A Bengaluru-based NGO is trying to help children have a playful time as they develop their social, emotional and motor skills. A group of professionals with background in architecture, design and marketing have come together to create 'Play in a Box' kits with various games to give underprivileged children a means to develop their cognitive and learning skills, and keep their creativity satisfied while the schools are shut.

The team of Anthill Creations is looking at reaching 10,000 children through a campaign on the Milap crowdfunding platform. The campaign, that will close on Nov. 14, has already resulted in a collection of about ₹10 lakh out of the target of ₹30 lakh. "We have earlier built 256 playgrounds across eight states. To satisfy the need for play facilities, we came up with this concept for which we partnered with organisations such as Bal Utsav and Makkala Jagriti to reach out to children," said Pooja Rai, CEO of the NGO.

The games are designed for specific age groups, starting at the pre-primary level. "For instance, younger children living in urban slums have very little space to play, and hence they can use items such as a hop scotch mat to play inside their house with siblings or parents. Also a part of this kit are memory games. For rural children who have a little more space to play, a slightly more diverse set of objects is introduced, which also includes animal and forest themes," Rai added.

With an added focus on hygiene, the team has also brought out card games where pictures have to be matched according to the theme. They had initially teamed up with a manufacturing company to produce these toys, but due to the mounting expenses and use of plastic, they now work with smaller vendors, including toy makers in Channapatna, who contribute in various phases of the production cycle. "We are also looking at the time when schools reopen. We plan to give one kit of 10 games to a class of 30 students when schools reopen," Rai said.

LOVEOLOGY
Mahesh Natarajan

The case about perspective

A popular image going around on WhatsApp groups and social media in general has two people standing on opposite sides of a figure on the ground, and one says it is a '9' and the other says it is a '6,' both insisting they are right. When we look at the image from our observer position, looking at both sides, we can see how both sides are correct, neither is wrong and yet neither is fully correct either since we can see that it is really a matter of perspective. Of course, some among us might argue that both are wrong and that it is really the letter 'ma' in Tamil, and yet others might argue it is some other symbol altogether based on where they are coming from. They might just be trying to be difficult, but it just proves the point – the perspective is really all that matters.

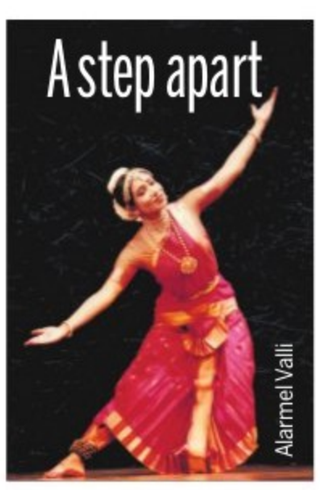
It seems quite self-evident that if only we were able to walk around and see each other's perspective, we might get a more holistic view and conflicts would stop, and yet, we don't always do that. In fact, most times, we get quite passionate about our own perspective and defend it as the right thing, even as others insist that theirs is the right thing. We see it in politics, and we most certainly see it in our relationships. Our defence of our perspective can get quite intense and even aggressive, and in families where there is interaction amongst families of origin of the people in the relationship, it can get really serious very quickly.

Imagine your partner coming to you and telling you that one of your parents is an interfering and obnoxious person, when you have in all your life, only experienced them as loving and generous to a fault. At first, you might just attribute it to them not getting to know each other very well, but as time goes by, you are quite likely to get offended that someone could even talk about your ever loving parent this way. If it continues, you are quite likely to get really triggered and a real conflict can come up, with you feeling as if you are being forced to choose between your parent and your partner.

What if you took a step back, and saw that your partner is not really talking to you about your parents, but their in-laws? Could you possibly see that the parent-child relationship can be absolutely different from the in-laws relationship? Would that help you back off and hold space for this conflicting view about a person you care about?

In certain situations, we do that quite well. We are able to see it at work sometimes, for instance. We can feel perfectly good about our own relationship with a manager, while still hearing someone else complain about it. Even about the city we live in, or politicians we like. We just need to get better at doing this with the people closest to us.

(The author is a counsellor with InnerSight)



• G. Ulaganathan

Dance and music lovers, here's a virtual treat for you. The 24th national festival of music and dance has gone online. For the last 23 years, this festival – held by Delhi-based Natya Tarangini, of Kuchipudi dancers Raja, Radha and Kaushalya Reddy, in collaboration with United Nations India – has been featuring top dancers and musicians. This year, the festival, which features Dr Balamuralikrishna, Vyjyanthimala Bali, Alarmel Valli and Kishori Amonkar, can be viewed online on Raja Radha Reddy's YouTube and on UN in India's website.

The Reddys have put-together some performances recorded in past festivals. The virtual launch was inaugurated by Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu and Renata Dessallien, UN Resident Coordinator India. The GMR Group and its chairman Mallikarjun Rao are the sponsors. "Parampara means lineage in Sanskrit. It means uninterrupted series of succession. With this series, we want to instill hope and solidarity in everyone," says Raja Reddy.

It will include performances by Pt Hariprasad Chaurasia (flute), Vyjayanthimala Bali (Bharatanatyam), L Subramaniam (violin) and Vikku Vinayakram (ghatam).

The programmes go live on YouTube, every weekend till Nov. 22.

(The writer is a city-based dance critic)

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PRUTHVI AMBAAR TO JOIN CAST OF VIJAY MILTON'S SHIVARAJKUMAR-STARRER

The commercial entertainer, which is bringing back the *Tagaru* combination of the Century Star and Daali Dhananjay on the big screen, will now also have the *Dia* hero making an entry

Pruthvi Ambaar

A Sharadhaa

Cinematographer-turned-director Vijay Milton's upcoming directorial starring Shivarajkumar has got an interesting cast addition. The commercial entertainer, which is bringing back the *Tagaru* combination of the Century Star and Daali Dhananjay on the big screen, will also feature Pruthvi Ambaar. The latter, who has been in the spotlight for his role as Adi in director Ashoka's *Dia,* has been bagging films back to back. He now has in his kitty *Life is Beautiful, Sugarless, For Regn,* and projects directed by Darshan Rao, and Lohith H, respectively. Joining the long list will be this yet-to-be-titled film directed by Vijay Milton, which will be Pruthvi's next big commercial break. He will get to share screen space with Shivanna as well as Dhananjay here. Shooting for the film will begin by November-end, and the makers are currently in the casting process. According to a source, Pruthvi will be playing a major role. Meanwhile, hunt is on for the lead heroine and the rest of the supporting cast.

Shivarajkumar

The film is being produced by Krishna Sarthak. It will be Shivanna's 123rd project. The actor, who has completed the shooting for *Bhajarangi 2*, is now committed to this project. Meanwhile, Dhananjay, who is currently shooting for *Rathnan Prapancha*, will join Shivanna when his portions are to be filmed. The film's music is scored by Anoop Seelin.

Vijay Milton, the cinematographer who has directed the Tamil film *Goli Soda,* marked his entry in Sandalwood as DOP with *Attahasa*. Having been associated with Dhruva Sarja as a cinematographer for *Pogaru*, he now marks his first Kannada directorial debut with a film starring Shivanna.

Director Vijay Milton, Pruthvi Ambaar and producer Krishna Sarthak

Five directors come together for anthology titled *Pentagon*

The project is spearheaded by director-turned-producer Guru Deshpande, and shooting of two out of the five stories has been completed

CE Features

Guru Deshpande

Pentagon will be a different offering coming from *Gentleman* producer Guru Deshpande, who is bringing together five directors for an anthology. According to the director-turned-producer who is spearheading the project, there are five scripts, which will be helmed by different directors. "The film is like a five-layered cake, which will come with its unique flavour," says Guru Deshpande, for whom the title mirrors the simplicity of design as well as the underlying complexity of a five-faced object.

The shooting of the project is already underway and two of the five stories have been filmed. "Preparation for the project began several months ago, and each story is in a different stage of making. We waited for the pandemic to ease to make an official announcement," he said.

Pentagon brings on board not only five directors but also an ensemble cast of well-known artistes, and technicians. However, the director plans to reveal the names of the directors later. "Every one of them deserves to be highlighted. We will present each of them in a manner befitting their contribution. Their names will be announced shortly," he said, adding, "Each director has his freedom when it comes to his story. The binding factor in these stories will be the icing on the cake. It is not an easy task to bring five creative minds to build a single narrative, but the team is up for the challenge. *Pentagon* will be a different film for the audience."

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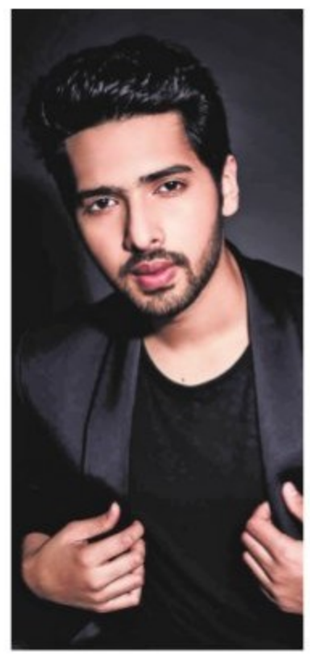
— Guru Deshpande, producer

Suraj Pe Mangal Bhari to release theatrically on November 15

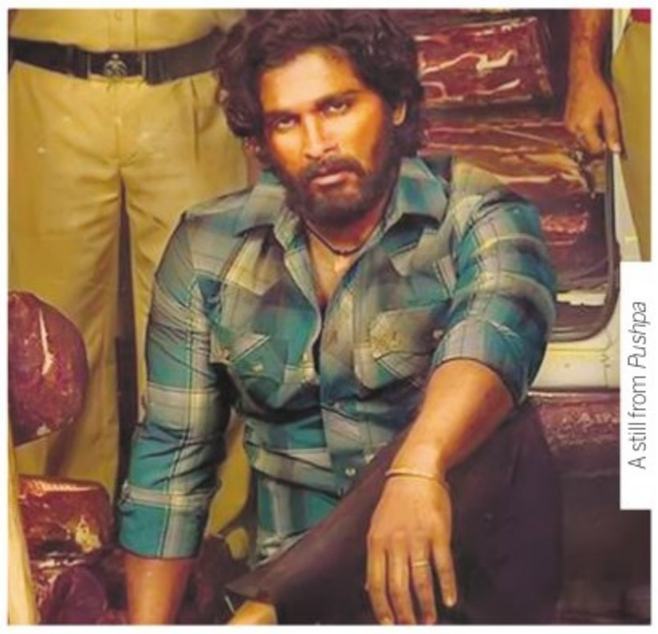
CE Features

Zee Studios has confirmed a Diwali release for their upcoming comedy, *Suraj Pe Mangal Bhari*. The film will release theatrically on November 15 across India.

Directed by Abhishek Sharma, Suraj Pe Mangal Bhari stars Manoj Bajpayee, Diljit Dosanjh and Fatima Sana Shaikh. The synopsis reads: "In the 1990s, a wedding detective has to perform background checks on prospective grooms. In the time before social media and mobile phones, everything has to be done in person."



Allu Arjun, Sukumar to begin shooting for *Pushpa* from Nov. 10


A still from *Pushpa*

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Allu Arjun and Rashmika Mandanna will begin shooting for their upcoming pan-Indian film, Pushpa, on November 10. The film's production house, Mythri Movie Makers shared a video of the pre-production works that are being taken care of by the team on Twitter earlier today.

Dhananjay

Allu Arjun, who delivered a blockbuster with *Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo* earlier this year, is back to work after nearly nine months. The new schedule of *Pushpa* will kickstart in the forests of Maredumilli with an action sequence composed by fight masters Ram-Lakshman. Set in the backdrop of red sanders smuggling in Seshachalam forests, Pushpa features Allu Arjun as a lorry driver named Pushpa Raj. The *Racæ Gurram* actor has reportedly mastered the Chittoor dialect for his role. Kannada actor Dhananjay has been roped in for a crucial role and Tamil actor Vijay Sethupathi has been approached to play the antagonist.

Pushpa has music by Devi Sri Prasad and the makers are planning to release it next summer.

Arishadvarga trailer to be out on Nov. 12

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Director Arvind Kamath's *Arishadvarga*, which has done an extensive rounds of film festivals, including having a world premiere in London in June 2019, Asian premiere at Singapore South Asian International Film Festival in September, and North American premiere at Vancouver International South Asian Film Festival in November 2019, is all set to hit theatres this month-end. But before that, the makers are coming up with its trailer on Nov. 12 and will be lauched by senior actor, Prakash Belavadi. *Arishadvarga* is a neo-noir mystery thriller starring a host of actors, including Samyukta Hornad in the lead role, and Nanda Gopal, Avinash, Mahesh Bung, Anju Alva Naik, Aravind Kuplikar, Gopalakrishna Deshpande and Sripathi Manjanabailu. It is set in present-day Bengaluru, and narrates a story of lust, anger, love, greed, power, jealousy, mistaken identity and individual deficiencies. Arvind Kamath is also doubling as a producer for this. The film has music director Udit Haritas making his debut, while Balaji Manohar has handled the cinematography.

A still from the film

Richa Chadha

Richa Chadha takes to Urdu shayari to prep for her next

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Richa Chadha is practicing Urdu shayari as prep for her next. The actor is gearing up for a start-to-finish schedule for her upcoming project in Lucknow. For her character, Richa is honing her Urdu skills and perfecting her 'lehja' for the shoot. The producers also hired a diction expert from Lucknow to help the cast achieve the correct pronunciations.

"It's essential to stay authentic to the character and as actors, it's primarily our job to perfect every element of our character," Richa says. "I am glad this film allows me the opportunity."

Having grown up in Delhi, Richa was familiar with the works of Urdu poets like Mirza Ghalib, Faiz Ahmed Faiz, Basheer Badr, Chakbast, and others. Her interest in shayari has come in handy for the project."Exploring language, places, and culture is the most thrilling aspect of being an actor," she says. "Every day is a learning experience and this shoot, drenched in old-world nostalgia was fulfilling."

Armaan Malik dedicates MTV Europe Music Award to Indian kids

Singer Armaan Malik, who bagged his first MTV Europe Music Award, has dedicated it to Indian kids who dare to dream and work hard to make it come true.

Armaan won the Best India Act award for his first English single Control, which was released in March.

"I've just had the most unreal year so far, and this win at the EMAs just made it better by a million notches! Control is my debut English single and to have received this kind of love, support, and recognition at a global level so early on in my journey makes me really emotional," Armaan told *IANS*.

"This win is dedicated to all those young Indian kids who dare to dream and work hard to make them come true, this is for you. Dream on," he added.

Armaan was nominated alongside artistes like Divine, Prabh Deep and Kaam Bhaari. The awards ceremony was streamed live on Voot Select and aired on Vh1 India on November 9.

Meanwhile, in 2020, Armaan released several songs including his second English single *Next 2 me*.

Armaan also said that he has two singles in the pipeline - one in Hindi and other in English - which he'll release by the end of the year.

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